Summary Action Minutes

PUBLIC COMMENT

Susan Beck: Thanked Supervisor Miley for his support with of the Move the Planet event sponsored by Planet 350.org for clean energy and clean transportation. Because of your support and the event’s success we are designing a garden and education center in Ashland and Shanale Allen will represent the community at a grassroots conference by 350.org surrounding green energy. Supervisor Miley was presented with a poster from the event.

Steve Carbanara: San Lorenzo resident; talk about a fungal disease in the trees called Anthracnose, which causes dark, sunken lesions on leaves, stems, flowers and fruits, usually in Sycamore trees.

Kathy Martins: Relay for life sponsored by the American Cancer Society and Homes Association, walk. 2nd week in August, 2012 – event if interested call Kathy, team development coordinator.

Suzanne Barba: Thanked Supervisor Miley for the event his office is hosting on February 2nd, from 6-9 pm at the Castro Valley Library. There will be a workshop on the County’s Boards and Commissions. It will contain a workshop with the BZA, Planning Commission, Conditional Use Permit (CUP) process as well as other items pertaining to the County.

I. Status of Redevelopment – as a result of California Supreme Court and Legislative Action

Eileen Dalton, Director, Redevelopment Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency.

Projects status: are in limbo, at this point active projects Ashland Youth Center and Castro Valley Blvd, will be completed, and other projects are in limbo.

Wilma Chan stated that she will be arguing the case of the contract for the construction of the San Lorenzo Library to the Oversight Board, after its formation, to validate the contract.

Eileen Dalton and Chris Bazar, Director, CDA responded to questions from community residents.

II. Proposed Safe Medication Disposal Ordinance

Supervisor Miley stated that the pharmaceutical industries should be responsible for disposing of the excess medications, and it’s about product stewardship.
II. Proposed Safe Medication Disposal Ordinance (continued)

Linda Pratt, of the Senior Alcohol and Drug working group, presented introductory comments regarding safe medication disposal. Excess medication has lead to accidental poisonings and could get in the hands of youth.

Bill Pollock, Environmental Health Department, Household Hazardous Waste, presented comments on the need for a Safe Medication Disposal Ordinance. Twenty-five years ago, consumers would flush unused prescription drugs and they would end up in the waterways. In 2000 federal agencies tested the waterways and found drug residue in 85 percent of the water.

There is a need for a safe way to dispose of the drugs. Other countries allow consumers to take their drugs back to the pharmaceutical companies. There are state and federal laws that regulate prescription drugs, but it doesn’t pertain to households.

Robert Reiter, County Counsel, presented a PowerPoint presentation and a draft copy of the proposed ordinance to safely dispose of prescription drugs. The premise of the ordinance is to require the pharmaceutical companies to take back unused and unwanted prescription drugs.

Speakers

Bob Campisi – proposes that the unwanted and unused drugs disposed of by incineration, and asked that the County be reasonable and not make an ordinance for every little thing.

Kathy Gill: Used to work for a veterinarian and the veterinarians used to return unused drugs to the manufacturer.

III. Public Works Agency Update on Lewelling Blvd. Construction Timeline

Stanley Fung, Public Works Agency gave an oral report on the construction timeline for Lewelling Boulevard. The entire project should be completed by the end of summer 2012.

Stanley Fung and Art Carrera responded to questions from community residents.

Speaker

Keith Barros: Emphasized returning the speed limit to 25 miles per hour on Lewelling Boulevard, post 25 mile per hour limit in school zones and concentrated enforcement and develop a no tolerance policy for speeding.

Doris Marcie: Is there a plan for a detour, and what about signals on Tracy? In front of St. John’s church there may be a safety problem because it is one lane. The median is too large for the area.

Charles Woody: Hampton Road, problem, with the width of the median.

Art Carrera: Explained that the design of the road is based on traffic studies.

 Supervisor Miley stated that if the current design isn’t working this will be revisited in the future.

IV. AC Transit Service Levels and Plans for Unincorporated Communities

Cory Lavigne, Director of Service Development and Planning, AC Transit presented an oral report on AC Transit Services for the Unincorporated Area. Due to budget cuts, bus service was reduced in the unincorporated area. Measure B reauthorization would allow AC Transit to increase service.
V. Regional Transportation Planning Process/Measure B Reauthorization

Art Dao, Executive Director and Beth Walukas, Deputy Director, Alameda County Transportation Commission presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Regional Transportation Planning Process and the proposed reauthorization of Measure B.

Art Dao and Beth Walukas answered questions from community members.

VI. DRAFT Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

Paul Keener, Senior Transportation Planner, Public Works Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. Mr. Keener answered questions from community residents regarding the plan.

ADJOURNMENT

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