SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

I. Public Comment

Howard Beckman commented on the need for a broader discussion on the library renovations; changed boundaries of the library service area.

Richard Hancock, echoed concerns of the previous speaker; and added his frustrations that the County would not have a public forum regarding such.

Mary Cedarholm, concerns regarding increased population and traffic, and requested handicapped parking be added to certain areas.

Nancy Van Huffel, asked if the library issues would be going to Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).

Mel Medeiros, expressed concern regarding the Olson Condominiums Project - it’s at a standstill. In addition, he expressed that he is not in favor of the many cyclone fences in the area.

Susan Beck, Cherryland, expressed concern with high density development; buildings that don’t meet design guidelines and requested a moratorium on building in Cherryland.

Supervisor Lai-Bitker commented that restructuring of boundaries is a separate issue and the focus of tonight’s meeting would be on renovations.

II. Measure F

Ken Gross, Principle Analyst, County Administrator’s Office, reported on the passing of Measure F (Utility User’s Tax), which was on the June 3, 2008 ballot. Mr. Gross reported on how Measure F would affect the unincorporated area and answered questions from community members.

Supervisor Lai-Bitker requested Mr. Gross to return to a future meeting of the Unincorporated Services Committee to report on his experience regarding collection of the Utility User’s Tax.
III. **San Lorenzo Library Renovations**

Jean Hofacket, County Librarian, gave a brief history of the San Lorenzo Library in addition to some legislative history, which had an effect on the library (Proposition 81 – Library Bond).

After the failure of Proposition 81, the library administration decided to make improvements on the existing library instead of waiting for another bond measure. At the same time, the library administration continues to look for funding for a new San Lorenzo library.

Ms. Hofacket presented the Committee and community members with an outline of the plan for the renovations.

Betty Moose, Friends of the Library Inc., expressed concerns about the lack of public input regarding the renovations of the San Lorenzo Library. In addition, Ms. Moose expressed concern about some of the renovations not being compatible for disabled and older persons.

The County Librarian and Supervisor Lai-Bitker answered questions from the community regarding the renovations and future legislation supporting library bonds.

IV. **Report on 4th of July**

Bonnie Terra, Alameda County Fire Marshall, reported on the department’s activities related to the 4th of July holiday. Fire Department personnel were active in the community during the holiday weekend and subsequently responded to one (1) report of a fire.

Sergeant Tom Rodrigues, Sheriff’s Office reported on the Sheriff’s Office Fireworks Suppression Detail for 2008. Prior to the holiday, letters were sent out to residents and businesses to inform them of fireworks being illegal in unincorporated Alameda County.

During the holiday, there were 196 calls for service, confiscation of 941 pounds of illegal fireworks, 55 DUI arrests and 3 felony arrests, in addition to 42 cars towed.

V. **Road Repair and Improvements ~ how the County determines when and how roads are repaired**

Stanley Fung, Division Director, Public Works Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the roads managed by the agency and how they are prioritized for repair.

VI. **Grove Way Mural Painting and Creek Ecology Project**

Jim Fryer, Eden Church, COR, reported on the Grove Way Mural Painting and Creek Ecology Project. Mr. Fryer along with Linda Watson, Hillary Bass and Pat Payne were requesting community input for the project.

The COR group expects to bring the item to the Board of Supervisors in the fall to approve the funding for the project.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned to September 24, 2008.

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