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DATE: August 19, 2016

TO: Directors and Alternates
Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

FROM: Maricela Foster, Secretary
Joint Powers Authority

SUBJECT: **Meeting of the Board of Directors**

The next regular meeting of the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for **Thursday, August 25, 2016. The meeting will begin at 10:15 a.m., or immediately following the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting at the Alameda County Administration Building, 1221 Oak Street, 5th Floor, Board Chambers, Oakland.**

Attached is the agenda packet for the meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Lidice De La Fuente at (510) 567-8291.

Thank you.

Attachments

Chairperson, Hon. Max Anderson, City of Berkeley • Hon. Ruth Atkin, City of Emeryville
Hon. Desley Brooks, City of Oakland • Hon. Wilma Chan, Alameda County
Hon. Trish Herrera Spencer, City of Alameda • Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

ALAMEDA COUNTY LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

A G E N D A

General Board Meeting

August 25, 2016

10:15 a.m. or immediately following the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting

Alameda County Administration Building
1221 Oak Street, 5th Floor, Board Chambers
Oakland, California

NOTICE: All meetings of the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors are open to the public. Those wishing to address the Board of Directors on items not on the agenda may do so during the open forum section of the meeting.

- 1) **Open Forum** (Discussion)
Directors, alternates, staff, or members of the public may address the Board of Directors regarding items not on the agenda. The Board will listen to matters presented but may not take action on these items.
- 2) **Director's Report** (Discussion)
- 3) **Approval of Minutes (July 28, 2016)** (Action) Pg. 1
- 4) **Program Operations Committee**
 - a) **Minutes (July 28, 2016)** (Information) Pg. 3
- 5) **Administration and Finance Committee**
 - a) **Minutes (July 28, 2016)** (Information) Pg. 5
- 6) **Announcements by Board Directors** (Information)

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ALAMEDA COUNTY LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM

JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES

July 28, 2016

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Ruth Atkin, Emeryville; Desley Brooks, Oakland; Trish Herrera Spencer, Alameda

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

Alternates: Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda

Staff: Larry Brooks, Lidice De La Fuente

Others: Marissa Caldwell

Absent: Max Anderson, Berkeley

The meeting was called to order by Director Brooks at 9:46 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

No public comment.

2) **Director's Report**

Larry Brooks informed the Board that on July 12th, 2016, he spoke before the City of Oakland Community Economic Development Committee regarding a proposal for the City Administrator's Office to implement a Proactive Rental Inspection Program by July 2017. Mr. Brooks noted that the item was continued.

On July 13th, 2016, Healthy Homes Community Development Specialist, David Crosby and Senior Environmental Health Specialist, Lisa Plourde provided a presentation to the Alameda County Code Enforcement Network (ACCEN). The presentation covered the basic issues around lead and testing for lead, information on the use of moisture meters, humidity meters and X-ray fluorescence (XRF).

Mr. Brooks stated that Ruben Briones, Healthy Homes Community Development Specialist presented at the Rental Housing Association of Southern Alameda County Mold Remediation Luncheon and that he was complemented for his presentation.

Mr. Brooks informed the Board that Trudy Romando from San Bernardino County sent a thank you card and pin to the Department for reaching out to their jurisdiction after the terrorist attack in December 2015. Director Ruth Atkin expressed her gratitude to staff.

3) **Approval of Minutes (June 23, 2016)**

Action: The Board approved the meeting minutes for the June 23, 2016 Board meeting.

Moved: Ruth Atkin **Seconded:** Trish Herrera Spencer **Ayes:** 3

4) **Program Operations Committee**

a) **Minutes (June 23, 2016)**

There were no questions or comments on the meeting minutes.

5) **Administration and Finance Committee**

a) **Minutes (June 23, 2016)**

There were no questions or comments on the meeting minutes.

6) **Announcements by Board Directors**

There were no announcements by Board Directors

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 A.M.

PROGRAM OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

July 28, 2016

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Ruth Atkin, Emeryville; Desley Brooks, Oakland; Trish Herrera Spencer, Alameda

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

Alternates: Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda

Staff: Larry Brooks, Lidice De La Fuente

Others: Marissa Caldwell

Absent: Max Anderson, Berkeley

Director Desley Brooks chaired the meeting at 9:19 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

No public comment.

2) **Director's Report**

Larry Brooks informed Board members that Secretary to the Board, Maricela Foster, is in Detroit, Michigan attending the Kresge Foundation's ASHHI Conference, but that she would return in time for the next JPA meeting in August 2016.

Mr. Brooks informed the Board that the Healthy Homes Department received multiple recognitions recently. Due to the assistance of Wilma Chan's Office, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors proclaimed National Healthy Homes Month on their June 28th Board meeting. Both Maricela Foster and Michelle Miller, Acting Director/Deputy Director at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control accepted the award. The Department was also highlighted in July's ConnectAC newsletter for the HUD's 2016 Secretary's Award for Healthy Homes and recognized for its achievements in promoting healthy housing. Both events were highlighted in HUD's Healthy Homes newsletter.

Moreover, Mr. Brooks stated that HUD Secretary, Julian Castro, testified on Capitol Hill on July 13th, 2016, before the House Financial Services Committee. Secretary Castro testified that the significant resources that go into remediating lead hazards is not enough and that the prominent threat of lead poisoning in homes, is "one of the biggest challenges" in the nation.

Mr. Brooks informed the Board of a study in the journal, *Chemosphere*, that looked at Lead levels in pigeons in urban neighborhoods and compared them with blood Lead levels in children in the same area, as reported by public health entities. The study conducted in New York City, found a correlation between lead levels in birds and children with location and season being the two main factors as the Lead levels in children and pigeons tend to rise in the summer. The study also found a correlation between heavy traffic and higher Lead levels, old lead paint in buildings that are deteriorating or demolished that could also lead to higher Lead levels in the soil and groundwater. Researchers hope their data can help devise new ways of tracking and responding to lead contamination in urban areas.

3) **Public Awareness and Education Report**

Lidice De La Fuente reported on the outreach activities for the month of June 2016 highlighting In-Home Consultations in the cities of Emeryville and Oakland. In June the

Department also conducted a full day Renovate Repair Paint Rule (RRP) Initial training with 14 participants with the majority being from the CSA. The training covered the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's requirements, hands on experience and practical advice for lead remediation.

4) **Announcements by Board Directors**

There were no announcements by Board Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 A.M.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

July 28, 2016

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Ruth Atkin, Emeryville; Desley Brooks, Oakland; Trish Herrera Spencer, Alameda

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

Alternates: Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda

Staff: Larry Brooks, Lidice De La Fuente

Others: Marissa Caldwell

Absent: Max Anderson, Berkeley

The meeting was called to order by Director Brooks at 9:36 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

No public comment.

2) **Director's Report**

Mr. Brooks stated that the Department is in on-going discussions with the Agency Finance staff to streamline operations. The County's Auditor's Office recently made changes to county-wide processes, resulting in the Department's Finance Manager reviewing the Department financial operation procedures to ensure compliance.

Mr. Brooks announced that in an effort to conform to the County's Clean Commuting initiatives, The Department now provides shuttle service from the Lake Merritt Bart Station to and from its location at 2000 Embarcadero Cove, Oakland. Mr. Brooks added that this new shuttle service will benefit clients and partners visiting the facility as well employees.

On July 20th, 2016, the Department was notified that it was the recipient of a second HUD Lead Hazard Control Grant in the total amount of \$2.9 million. Mr. Brooks stated that under the new grant the Department will address lead hazards in 110 housing units providing safer homes for low and very low-income families with children in the CSA and unincorporated communities of Ashland, Cherryland and San Lorenzo. In addition, Mr. Brooks stated that the HUD evaluation team who reviewed the applications indicated that the Department's application was very well written and that it was one of the best applications that they had received.

Furthermore, in July 2016, the California Department of Public Health amended its contract increasing the contract amount by \$200,000 from \$1.9 million to \$2.1 million for responding to lead exposed children. Mr. Brooks stated that activities carried out under this contract include monitoring, outreach and education, public health nursing and environmental investigations for cases as resources allow of lead poisoned children.

Director Trish Herrera Spencer commended staff for their ongoing efforts and their amazing work.

- 3) **Announcements by Board Directors**
There were no announcements by Board Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 A.M.