BROADWAY/MACARTHUR/SAN PABLO REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA COMMITTEE

Thursday, November 5, 2009
7:00 – 9:00pm
Beebe Memorial Church
Multi-Purpose Room
3900 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland, CA

MINUTES

Present

Edric Kwan, Chairperson Gwelen Paliaga Michele Coit, Vice Chairperson Christopher Waters

Marlene ElbinSeth KatzAaron ReavenWendy TaoJosephine LeeShirley Edding

Lee Cherry

<u>Absent</u>

Willie Lockett Sandra Wilson

Excused

Uma ThomasSylvia TellezDebra McClellandManel KappagodaWalter MilesLarry Benson

City Staff Present:

CEDA Redevelopment: Kathy Kleinbaum, Christine Lebron

Parks & Recreation: Audree Jones-Taylor, Mark Hall, Karis Griffin

Office of Councilmember Nancy Nadel: Carletta Starks

I. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order. Roll was taken by Edric Kwan.

II. OPEN FORUM

Mr. Ashrious Pannell, owner of Nic Nak Liquors/Jo Jo's Market at 6400 Shattuck Avenue, spoke to the PAC about the City treating him unfairly in regards to the renewal of his liquor license.

Chairperson Edric Kwan announced that he received a promotion at the City of Richmond and that the promotion may impact his participation on the PAC.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the September 3, 2009 minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

IV. PAC REVIEW OF DRAFT 5-YEAR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR 2009-2014

Staff gave the PAC the opportunity to review and comment on the Draft 5-Year Implementation Plan.

A motion was made to approve the Draft Broadway/MacArthur/San Pablo 5-Year Implementation Plan as written. The motion was approved unanimously.

V. 2009 NPI PROGRAM SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff reviewed the 2009 NPI Program submittals and subcommittee selections. The PAC memo included an explanation of why certain projects were not funded or only partially funded.

Lee Cherry commented on the issue of tree maintenance related to the Telegraph street trees project. Staff explained that the grantee is responsible for getting the permission of the related property owners to water the trees after the establishment period.

Regarding the Mosswood playground fence grant, Gwelen Paliaga recommended that the grant funds be used toward general improvements at the existing playground instead of a fence. PAC members agreed to this change.

Darlene Drapkin, Director of the KoreaTown/Northgate Community Benefits District, asked the PAC to reconsider the subcommittee recommendation to fund the removal of the KoreaTown banners only and asked the PAC to also fund the design process for new banners. Carletta Starks from Councilmember Nancy Nadel's office also encouraged the PAC to expand the grant to include the design of new banners. After much discussion regarding the process and timing, the PAC agreed to add \$3,500 to the banner grant to fund a banner re-design process.

A motion was made to approve the NPI subcommittee grant recommendations with the following changes: The Mosswood playground grant would be for general improvements to the existing playground, and a total of \$3,500 would be reallocated from the Telegraph Trees project to the KoreaTown/Northgate banner project for banner re-design. The motion was approved unanimously.

VI. ENHANCED SECURITY OFFICER CHECK-IN

Officer Mayumi Taylor was in attendance to give the PAC an update on projects she has been working on within the redevelopment area. Her most recent statistics were distributed and PAC members discussed hot spots and priorities they would like Officer Taylor to focus on.

PAC priorities include:

- -V.I.P. massage parlor on Telegraph near 40th Street
- -Drug dealing on 3700 block of Telegraph and Sana Market/Liquor Store
- -Drug dealing OHA property at 537 32nd Street

VII. MOSSWOOD TEEN CENTER

Oakland Parks and Recreation Director, Audree Jones-Taylor, discussed her goals for the Mosswood Teen Center and addressed the PAC's concerns related to the unspent NPI grant funds awarded for the Center in 2006 and 2007. The director explained that the delays are due to ongoing staffing issues and that the current construction budget now exceeds the funds available to complete the project. PAC members requested that the director returns in January with a written mission statement and plan for the Teen Center and a construction schedule for the NPI funded improvements. The director agreed to return to the PAC with this information at the January PAC meeting.

No motion was made regarding the possible action to recommend de-funding the \$66,000 in NPI grants for the Mosswood Teen Center.

VIII. UPDATES FROM REDEVELOPMENT STAFF

Staff gave brief updates on the OHA Solar Initiative project, foreclosure activity in the Project Area, the MacArthur Transit Village, and the Crossroads Community Garden.

IX. AGENDA DISCUSSION AND SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING & ADJOURN

At the November 5, 2009 meeting, the PAC requested that the following items be placed on the January 7th, 2010 Agenda:

- Mosswood Teen Center Follow-up
- Green For All Presentation

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

*************Next meeting scheduled for January 7, 2010*********