



**Community Advisory Committee**  
***Concord Community Reuse Project***

**Tuesday, November 20, 2007**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Concord Senior Center, Wisteria Room**  
**2727 Parkside Circle, Concord, CA**

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**MINUTES / ANNOTATED AGENDA**

The agenda for this meeting was posted in the Civic Center posting cabinet on November 15, 2007 at 9:35 a.m. in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Dan Helix at 6:35 p.m.

**Roll Call** - Dick Allen, Jimmy Araujo, Paul Elliott, Greg Enholm, Jason Hadnot, Scott Hein, Daniel Helix, John Hemm, Patricia Howlett, Edward James, Ana Maria Korve, Beverly Lane, Melvin Lee, John Mercurio, Rosanne Nieto, Erinn Peterson, Anna Rikkelman, William Washington, Dirk Wentling, Ellen Williams were present; Ed James, Patricia Howlett, Ursula Luna, Dirk Wentling were absent.

**Pledge to the Flag** – Melvin Lee

**Public Comment Period** –

Lynda Deschenes, Clayton Resident – Reported in September 2007, the United Nations declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples was accepted. Indigenous peoples worldwide are now recognized as the fourth nation.

**1. Approval of Annotated Agenda/Minutes of October 16, 2007**

ACTION: Co-Chair Dan Helix asked for a motion to approve the Annotated Agenda-Minutes for the meeting held October 2, 2007. Melvin Lee made the motion and it was seconded by Ana Maria Korve. Motion passed unanimously.

**2. Current Status of the Reuse Project** – Report by Michael Wright, Reuse Project Director

- Overview of Homeless Accommodation Process and Needs Survey – Report by Katherine Gale, Katherine Gale & Associates

**ACTION:** Katherine Gale gave an overview of the Homeless Accommodation Process stating when a homeless submission has been made to HUD, they are looking at two large categories. One is that the process is followed and two, they will be looking at the content of what is submitted. HUD's obligation is to find a balance and to show if everything has been taken into consideration as they evaluate the specific proposals.

- Background Summary on Consolidated Proposal from Contra Costa Countywide Homeless Base Conversion Collaborative –Report by Marty Fleetwood, Executive Director of HomeBase

**ACTION:** The Collaborative has 25 agencies who were interested in putting together an application, form themselves into a peer group. The Collaborative is formed under the offices of the Contra Costa Interjurisdictional Council for Homelessness, a group that is responsible to the County Board of Supervisors for responding to homelessness throughout the county. The Council is the umbrella for the Collaborative.

- Background on Affordable Housing Integration with Homeless Needs – Report by Eve Bach, East Bay Housing Organization Board Member

**ACTION:** Eve Bach reported on trends of integration of the needs of the homeless with the broader needs of the community for affordable housing. EBHO is an organization that provides resources and a network of professionals who work in the field who try to address the broad range of housing needs. EBHO is part of the collaborative for a sustainable Concord that has been working to integrate a whole range of environmental, labor, land use, and housing issues at the CNWS in a sustainable project.

### **3. Other Items for Discussion**

- Presentations on Letters of Interest to provide services to accommodate the needs of the Homeless
  - Anka Behavioral Mental Health – Dan Aloom
  - Eden Housing and Shelter, Inc. - Katie Lamont and Jennifer Baha
  - Resources for Community Development, Contra County Department of Health, and Contra Costa Interfaith Housing - Robert Stevenson, Lavona Martin, Louise Braza
  - Mercy Housing and Lutheran Social Services - Val Agostino and Barbara Droher Kline
  - Mid-Peninsula Housing and First Place for Youth - Alok Lathi and Sam Cobbs
  - EAH Housing and Anka Behavioral Health, Inc. - Dan Aloom, Al Bonett and Mike Daley

- East Bay Asian Local Development Corp. and Rubicon - David Dologite, Carlos Castellanos and Benita Harris
- Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano – Larry Sly
- Loaves & Fishes of Contra Costa – NO SHOW

Presenters provided ten minute highlights of their concepts for accommodating the needs of the homeless and supporting fiscal and financial information. Six presenters focused on housing needs mixed with other support services for the homeless. Two applicants focused on provision of services such as job training and food bank warehousing. Primary questions from CAC involved specifics regarding financial, feasibility, and fiscal sustainability in the proposed uses; concerns regarding overall project magnitude and phases of development. A second area of questioning had to do with what assumptions applicants made about support financial or otherwise from the City. CAC expressed concerns on some proposals over long term funding realism and the mix of housing to satisfy the needs of the homeless as opposed to broader satisfaction of affordable housing needs.

**Public Comments:**

**Delores Loague** – Concord resident, would like the CAC to be supportive of the range of Homeless Accommodation Programs.

**4. Reports/Announcements**

**a. CAC member reports**

None

**b. Staff announcements**

None

**5. Confirmation of Next Meeting Date – January 15, 2008**

There were approximately 33 public citizens, including presenters, attending this meeting.

**Adjournment at 9:40 p.m.**



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