

MEETING MINUTES

City of Santa Barbara
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 23, 2008
Community Development Meeting Room
630 Garden Street
(6:00 p.m.)

1. ROLL CALL:

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| Barbara Allen | <u>X</u> | Veronica Loza | <u>X</u> |
| Bonnie Elliott | <u>E</u> | Alice O'Connor | <u>X</u> |
| Michael Getto | <u>X</u> | Ella Surman | <u>A</u> |
| Karena Jew | <u>X</u> | Josephine Tapia | <u>A</u> |
| Laura Knight | <u>X</u> | Josephine Torres | <u>X</u> |
| James Kyriaco, Vice Chair | <u>X</u> | Catherine Woodford, Chair | <u>X</u> |

X = Present A = Absent E = Excused

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 24, 2008 MEETING

The minutes of the June 24 meeting were approved as submitted. (M-Kyriaco/S-Getto, Abstain Allen)

4. REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE TO CDHSC

An invitation from the Friendship Center was sent to the committee.

5. PUBLIC HEARING ON HUD CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER) FOR FY 2007-2008

A public hearing was held on the HUD Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report for FY 2007-2008. Staff highlighted the year's major accomplishments including the expenditures of \$1.8 million in CDBG funds and \$1.2 million in HOME funds to upgrade affordable housing stock, provide Sect. 8 Rental Vouchers, complete 3 multi unit projects, consisting of a total of 181 owner and rental units, respond to 1,832 Rental Housing Mediation Task Force service requests, serve the homeless and persons with special needs by funding 21 social service agencies, complete four Neighborhood Improvement projects, and support economic development programs. A total of \$37 million federal and non-federal funds were expended for fiscal year 2007-2008. During public comment the City was commended for taking a proactive approach in creating new affordable housing.

6. PUBLIC HEARING SEEKING INPUT ON 2009-2010 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PLAN

A public hearing was held seeking input on the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Consolidated Annual Plan. The HUD priorities were kept as follows: Proposals which facilitate housing for low and moderate income persons; Proposals which revitalize downtown neighborhoods (Census Tracts 8.01, 8.02, 9, 10, 11.02 and 12.04); Proposals which strengthen or expand public or social service agencies that facilitate low and moderate-income housing; and Economic development proposals which leverage financial resources to create or retain jobs for low and moderate-income persons. The committee commented that it would like to see a bigger pool of applicants for capital and economic development projects.

7. YEAR END REPORTS ON CDBG AND HUMAN SERVICES FUNDED AGENCIES FY 2007/08

Staff handed out and reviewed the FY 2007-08 Year End Reports on CDBG and Human Services funded agencies. Committee members were encouraged to utilize these reports during site visits and the FY 2010 application process.

8. APPROVE CDBG/HUMAN SERVICES PROPOSED APPLICATION CHANGES
The committee reviewed the draft application form and made final revisions.
9. OVERVIEW OF CDBG CAPITAL PROJECT REQUIREMENTS
This item was tabled to next month's meeting.
10. BOB PIERSON PRESENTATION ON MEASURE G – UTILITY USERS TAX
Mr. Pierson explained the requirements of Measure G and how it could affect the City budget.
11. UPDATE ON LEGAL AID CAPITAL GRANT CONTINGENCY
Staff presented a letter from Legal Aid foundation asking for a 60-day extension to submit a comprehensive plan for building improvements. The committee approved the request.
12. REQUEST FROM FAMILY SERVICE AGENCY TO AMEND 211 CONTRACT
Bill Batty, FSA Executive Director, requested to amend the 211 contract to focus services primarily on information and referral as a result of budget cuts from the County Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Department. The committee moved to postpone a decision on FSA's request to the October meeting.
13. CDHSC VACANCIES AND INCUMBENTS WHOSE TERM ENDS 12-31-08
Staff reported that there are six upcoming and current vacancies. The current vacancies are Latino Representative and Youth Services Representative. The upcoming vacancies are; Disabled representative, Housing Authority Representative, Downtown Representative and Lower Westside Representative. The incumbent Housing Authority and Downtown representatives are eligible to reapply; the Disabled and Lower Westside representative are termed out, thus ineligible to apply. They have the option to remain on the committee if their position is unfilled. The committee was asked to refer potential applicants to staff for questions on the requirements of the positions. The deadline to apply is Nov. 3.
14. ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES ON CDBG, HUMAN SERVICES AND HOME PROGRAMS
Staff reported that Teri Bradford-Rouse of Noah's Anchorage will be leaving her Executive Director position; Erik Talkin of the Community Kitchen is now the Executive Director of the Foodbank; and City at Peace is now its own non-profit agency.
15. NEW BUSINESS
There was no new business.
16. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.