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### **COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT ACTION COMMITTEE May 22, 2003 Meeting Notes**

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#### **CITY STAFF ITEMS**

Mike Robinson, Planning & Redevelopment Manager noted the following items:

- On May 12<sup>th</sup> the Redevelopment Agency was presented with a status report on the CRAC. The Agency asked that staff send a survey to CRAC members regarding their future participation on the committee.
- A request for rehearing of the 1901 Newport Blvd. project will be considered on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- The Staff Report for the Costa Mesa Safe/Costa Mesa Beautiful program was distributed to the CRAC for informational purposes.
- Bluffs Rezoning RFP: At the May 19 meeting, City Council directed staff to proceed with the Westside Bluffs General Plan Amendment and Rezone Study and referred the study and the proposed alternative processing approach back to the CRAC for additional review and comment.

#### **WORKSHOP**

The facilitators reviewed the schedule for the remainder of the process as directed by the City Council. The final report is due in July, which requires that the CRAC complete its list of consensus actions tonight. A draft report will then be prepared for the Committee's review at the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. The two major tasks for tonight are 1) complete the voting process for actions and 2) approve the process for preparing the Committee's report to the City Council.

Tonight the Committee will continue working through the list of actions and vote to determine which ones reach the 70% level of consensus needed to be carried forward. About 50 potential action items remain to be considered for inclusion in the "consensus bucket".

The Committee then began the voting process. Items were considered in order of the number of votes received in the last round of voting at the April meeting.

The following action items reached the 70% consensus level:

- Physically Attractive #4. City should install landscaping, parkways, greenbelts, bike and pedestrian paths as specified in the Westside Specific Plan.

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- Socially Vibrant #1d. Provide developer incentives to create creative mixed use development (single family next to town homes/lofts)
- Economically Desirable #9. Create a focal point (artist district) with small (live/work) lofts for artists
- Physically Attractive #19. Create a street maintenance program, specify priority projects and provide a timeline for implementation.
- Safe #1f. Increase or add bike and walking police patrols to all Westside parks and all major streets (Placentia, Pomona, 19th)
- Economically Desirable #5. Develop southwest corner of 19th and Placentia as mixed use (residential over shops/restaurants, artists lofts, cafes with a village feel) with proper parking.
- Safe #16b. Require code enforcement officers to repeatedly cite and impose stiffer penalties to habitual violators (more than 2)
- Socially Vibrant #2g. Establish and enforce operational procedures for charities in the area. (“Procedures” is interpreted to mean regulations.)
- Accessible #12. 19th Street from Pomona to Placentia - create good traffic flow, wide sidewalks, maintain no parking on the street, create pedestrian bridge across 19th centered between Pomona and Placentia that is well lit.
- Safe #17a. Place on the City Council agenda a moratorium on new bars (not restaurants with bars) and liquor stores (licenses) in the area.
- Economically Desirable #18. Support artist community: Art shows, concerts in the park, eclectic places to go.
- Physically Attractive #10. Maintain existing green spaces.
- Safe #1e. Police should increase their patrols in areas with a lot of crime.
- Economically Desirable #7. Create incentives for renewal/development of all blighted apartment areas.
- Physically Attractive #2. Establish and maintain uniform street lights that are energy efficient, brighter, more attractive and are located on both sides of the street.

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- Physically Attractive #3. Add decorative paving at the major intersections, consistent in design and materials used, low maintenance and well executed installation.
- Physically Attractive #16. Establish proactive enforcement of the codes related to health safety and aesthetic issues.
- Safe 1d. Notify property owner if a police response occurs in his/her property.
- Economically Desirable #11. Create incentives and opportunities for "up-scale" development.

A complete record of the votes cast is provided in Attachment 1.

The Committee then considered the process for preparing and reviewing the draft report to the Redevelopment Agency. It was agreed (28 votes in favor) that the facilitators would prepare a rough draft report for review by a subcommittee before the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting, in a similar manner as was used to review the meeting notes. The subcommittee would then edit the report and send to the full committee for review and approval on June 26<sup>th</sup>. At that meeting the full committee would also decide on the format for the presentation of the report to the Redevelopment Agency. Subcommittee volunteers were invited to stay after the meeting to schedule a time to meet.

The following members volunteered to serve on the subcommittee:

Mike Berry  
Fred Bockmiller  
Terri Breer  
Campbell Davidson  
Janice Davidson  
Don Elmore  
Christian Eric  
Bob Graham  
Dan Gribble  
Frank Gutierrez  
Mike Harrison  
Eva Marin  
Ralph Ronquillo

The subcommittee agreed to meet on Tuesday June 10<sup>th</sup> from 6-9 pm with the location to be determined. If a second meeting is necessary it will be held on Thursday June 12<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm. The rough draft report will be emailed to the subcommittee and other committee members who have provided an email address in about 2 weeks.

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**NEXT STEPS**

The next meeting of the full committee will be held on Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. At that meeting, the Committee will review the draft report and discuss the Redevelopment Agency presentation format.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:15 p.m.