

ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' UNINCORPORATED SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 24, 2023
6:00 p.m.

Supervisor Nate Miley, Chair
Supervisor Lena Tam, excused

Location: San Lorenzo Library
395 Paseo Grande
San Lorenzo, CA 94580
Webinar: <https://zoom.us/j/84684430209>

Summary Minutes

I. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: Public Draft Environmental Justice Element of the General Plan

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Ali Abbors, Planner, Community Development Agency, and Shannon Wages, consultant, presented a PowerPoint presentation of the Public Draft Environmental Justice Element of the General Plan.

The Environmental Justice Element of the General Plan was previously introduced at the January 20, 2021, Supervisors meeting and updated again in July 20, 2022. Environmental Justice is defined as the right for everyone to live in a healthy environment and the State of California has required cities and counties to address environmental justice in their general plans. The plan focuses on reducing health risks in disadvantaged communities and improving programs to meet their needs. The process for identifying disadvantaged areas is outlined, highlighting sixteen (16) census tracts across five (5) communities facing pollution and health hazards.

The planning process began in October 2022 which involved community engagement through meetings, surveys, and workshops. The plan covers six (6) key topics: pollution, public facilities access, housing, healthy food, physical activity, and civic engagement.

The draft environmental justice element is available online and in person for review and feedback. The plan will undergo revisions based on community input before being presented to the Board of Supervisors for adoption in the fall.

Speaker

Charles Pisano commented on the Public Draft Environmental Justice Element of the General Plan.

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

II. ACTION ITEM: Unincorporated Area American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) 2nd Allocation - Proposed Funding Plan

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Eileen Dalton, Director, Economic & Civic Development Department, Community Development Agency and Michelle Starratt, Director, Housing & Community Development, Community Development Agency, presented a memorandum and staff report on the Unincorporated Area American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) 2nd Allocation - Proposed Funding Plan.

The Economic and Civic Development and Housing and Community Development Departments will implement the second tranche of ARPA funded proposed programs. The development of the CDA's initial strategy was guided by engagement with community groups and other public-serving agencies in the fall and winter of 2021/22. These groups included members of My Eden Voice (MEV), Castro Valley/Eden Area Chamber of Commerce, the Ashland/Cherryland Basic Needs Committee, First Five of Alameda County and staff from various agencies and board offices as well as a public presentation at the Unincorporated Services Committee and a community meeting held on a Saturday morning to solicit feedback. The strategy developed and previously presented to the Board ensures that the ARPA funding will serve the community in an equitable manner and have broad ranging impacts of those impacted financially by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Speakers

Rick Hatcher, Charles Pisano, Julio Contreras, Alina Farooq, George Wu, Tuan Ng, Sandra Corral, Nancy, Chris Moore, Derek Barnes, Andrea Vargas, Teresita de Jesus, Les Marones and Maria Miranda commented on the Unincorporated Area American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) 2nd Allocation - Proposed Funding Plan.

There was not a quorum available for this action item, the Unincorporated Area American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) 2nd Allocation - Proposed Funding Plan will be presented to the Board of Supervisors for action.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Peter commented that government programs for COVID-19 relief only aid tenants. Pete would like the Board of Supervisors to consider programs that will add homeowners.

Derek Barnes commented that the California Mortgage Relief program has funds available for property owners who need assistance.

Community member commented on the trash and debris on Foothill Blvd. and Castro Valley Boulevard that needs to be cleaned. He contacted the Public Works Agency and was told that the property belongs to CalTrans.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned to June 28, 2023.

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