ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' UNINCORPORATED SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 9, 2007

Supervisor Nate Miley, Chair Supervisor Alice Lai-Bitker

Location: San Lorenzo Village Homes Association 377 Paseo Grande San Lorenzo, CA 94580

SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

Wulf Bieschke, President, San Lorenzo Village Homes Association, expressed concern about the Board of Supervisors granting a variance to the owner of a property on Delano Street, who is in violation of the Neighborhood Preservation Ordinance. If the Board of Supervisors grants the variance, it would be set a terrible precedent throughout the entire unincorporated area.

Marlon Montenegro, Hillcrest Knolls, expressed concern about the Eden Area General Plan proposal to re-zone the public use area currently used to house the General Services Agency. The Hillcrest Knolls Neighborhood Association unanimously rejected that proposal. It would have a negative impact on the character of the neighborhood.

Supervisor Lai-Bitker stated that the Hillcrest Knolls objections have been noted and will be included in future discussions.

Supervisor Nate Miley, will have his staff look into the issue on Delano Street.

II. Report on Earth Day

Supervisor Nate Miley, District 4, reported on the Earth Day clean up held in Castro Valley on April 28, 2007. The Castro Valley Sanitary District was the primary sponsor of the event. The Eastbay Regional Park District and Alameda County Departments participated in the event. There were approximately 850 volunteers, an increase over last year's 530 volunteers. Ten (10) Castro Valley Unified School District sites were cleaned as well as Cull Canyon Lake and Castro Valley Creek.

The fall clean up will focus on the rest of the unincorporated area San Lorenzo etc. The County will primarily sponsor the fall clean up. 4th Saturday in September 23 rd.

III. Update on Eden Area Livability Initiative (EALI)

Lucy Wicks, Livable Communities Coordinator, presented an update on the Eden Area Livability Initiative (EALI. The Eden Area Livability Initiative is an integrated partnership between the community, the county and the non-county public sector jurisdictions focusing on the urban areas of the unincorporated area. Ms. Wicks passed out the EALI brochure (printed in English and Spanish) which includes information about EALI as well as an application to become a volunteer. In addition, EALI fact sheets and Leadership Committee meeting fliers were made available to those present at the meeting.

Supervisor Miley reported that Nancy Van Huffel, Kathy Ready, Wulf Bieschke, Dorothy Partridge serve on the Blue Ribbon Committee, which began meeting in June of last year. The Blue Ribbon Committee will begin meeting again this month. Supervisor Miley encouraged additional community participation.

IV. Alcohol Fee Ordinance Report

Supervisor Nate Miley presented introductory comments on the Alcohol Fee Ordinance. Supervisor Miley stated that the annual Alcohol Ordinance Fee to be paid by business owners who serve alcohol has been reduced from \$1200 to \$800 per year. The reason for the ordinance is to try to prevent the problems that are associated with alcohol outlets.

The Sheriff's Office, Community Development Agency, County Counsel and Environmental Health, reported on their efforts surrounding inspections and enforcement of the ordinance.

Speaker

Tom Pedemonte, owner, Plaza Bottle Shop, expressed that he is not in favor of responsible owners paying the fee. Mr. Pedemonte stated that the problem vendors should be responsible for fees and penalties.

V. AT&T/Comcast Cable Representatives

Mona Palacios, County Administrator's Office, presented introductory comments and introduced Cheryl Hills of Comcast Cable and Shiyama Cunie

Cheryl Hills, Comcast, Tony DelaCruz presented an overview of Comcast's upgrades that will be available in the near future in the unincorporated area.

The representatives fielded questions from the community members as well as the Supervisors.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned to June 27, 2007.

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