UNAPPROVED
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ALAMEDA REUSE AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Wednesday, December 1, 2010

The meeting convened at 7:01 p.m. with Chair Johnson presiding.

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Beverly Johnson
Boardmember Lena Tam
Boardmember Frank Matarrese
Boardmember Marie Gilmore
Vice Chair Doug deHaan

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

2-A. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 3, 2010.

2-B. Approve a Waiver of License Fees for American Red Cross, Bay Area Chapter at Building 8.

Member Gilmore moved for approval of the Consent Calendar. Member Tam seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote - 5

3. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

3-A. Designate a Member of the Alameda Reuse and Redevelopment Authority Board to Serve as the New Alameda Point Restoration Advisory Board Representative.

Vice Chair deHaan offered to serve as the RAB representative.

Member Gilmore moved for approval to appoint Vice Chair deHaan as the new RAB representative. Member Tam seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote – 5. Effective first RAB meeting in January 2011.

4. ORAL REPORTS

4-A. Oral report from Member Matarrese, Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) representative
- Highlights of November 4 Alameda Point RAB Meeting.

Member Matarrese addressed three key points: 1) The Navy will be revamping the records Repository, including all of the Records of Decision (ROD), environmental studies, presentations, and information on the history of characterization; 2) there was a presentation on the draft final site investigation of the Federal Parcel Transfer, the south west portion of the base. The Navy is completing the surveying; 3) Member Matarrese would like Member deHaan and staff to continue tracking Sites 1, 2, & 32 on the north west side. These sites are the most vulnerable parts of the base in that they have high ground water, are susceptible to sloughing off into the bay, and are replete with radium T26 contamination. Member Matarrese stated it is important the City take a position that the Navy should not leave any detectable radiation on the site.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, NON-AGENDA (PUBLIC COMMENT)

There were no speakers.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS

6-A. Alameda Point Community Forums Update.

The Deputy City Manager – Development Services gave a presentation and an overview of the community forums. She provided a link to the workbook that people can participate in the going-forward process: ww.alamedapoint-goingforward.com

Speakers: Philip Tribuzio, Henry Hernandez

6-B. Alameda Reuse and Redevelopment Authority Board Composition: Options for New Structure (continued from November 16, 2010).

The Interim City Manager provided a presentation to update the Board on the "Going-Forward" plan.

Speakers: Honora Murphy, John Knox White, Anne Spanier, John Spangler

There was confusion among the public regarding the topic of Item 6-B. Member Tam explained that the confusion comes from the wording of the item. The item is an update of the Going-Forward plan, and not a recommendation to change the ARRA Board Structure. Chair Johnson further clarified that this item is not before the Board for a decision, and that the Interim City Manager presented the item as an introduction of the concept, which the Board could either pursue or abandon.

Member Gilmore expressed concern that there were advisory groups for Alameda Point that were active for many years [Base Reuse Advisory Group (BRAG), Alameda Point Advisory Commission (APAC)], but that they were ultimately dissolved by the ARRA. Member Gilmore's concern was that expanding the ARRA Board meant putting important decisions in the hands of non-electeds.

Vice Chair deHaan expressed concern that he didn't want his elected position to be undermined by introducing a new structure or re-establishing an advisory group. It would be counter-productive to the long-standing mechanisms currently in place.

Member Tam premised her statement by requesting that her comments be taken in the context that she is giving her opinion, and not trying to develop consensus for direction. Member Tam commented that the ARRA's amended bylaws and JPA included provisions to appoint an advisory body, not a voting body. Member Tam suggested an approach that included the parks and school districts (EBRPD and AUSD), the Peralta community; as they all have their own governing boards. The representatives from each of these agencies would have accountability and would foster democracy. Member Tam stated an expansion of the ARRA Board is something that should not be pursued.

Member Gilmore and Vice Chair deHaan agreed with Member Tam and support the idea of including other stakeholders.

The Interim City Manager suggested adding an element to the process -- a community forum for principle stakeholders and other governmental agencies/bodies focused on government regulations.

Member Tam requested that this issue be included as a future item where the Board can give direction. The Deputy City Manager – Development Services replied that it will be placed on the February agenda.

7. REFERRALS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY

None.

8. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY

Member Gilmore reminded staff that she requested a presentation regarding the commercial real estate market as it exists.

Vice Chair deHaan stated that the ARRA should be involved in the City of Oakland's discussions regarding the Notice of Preparation (NOP) of the Oakland A's stadium in Jack London Square. The Deputy City Manager – Development Services informed Vice Chair deHaan that Alameda city planning staff is aware of the NOP and will be following it.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Johnson adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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