AGENDA
Community Advisory Commission

June 03, 2009
Milpitas City Hall Committee Meeting Room
455 E. Calaveras Blvd.
7:00 p.m.

I. Roll Call: Reena Choudhury, Danny Fang, Jenifer Lind, Rajeev Madnawat, Viramrinder Meharu, Syed Mohsin, Michael Queenan, and Nelson Villegas
Alternates: Nika Chen, William Manassau, and Phong Nguyen

II. Seating of Alternates:

III. Pledge of Allegiance:

IV. Approval of Agenda:

V. Approval of Minutes: May 06, 2009

VI. Announcements:

VII. Public Forum:

Members of the audience are invited to address the Commission on any subject not on tonight's agenda. Speakers are asked to supply their name and address for the record. Each person wishing to speak on an item before the CAC at a regular or special meeting shall be permitted to be heard once for a maximum of three minutes. Commissioners cannot respond to issues brought forward, but may request that the matter be placed on the agenda of a future meeting.

VIII. Liaison Reports

City Council Report Councilmember Polanski

IX. Old Business

A. Shopping Cart Policy

Gloria Anaya, Sr. Housing & Neighborhood Preservation Specialist provided a brief presentation at the February 4, 2009 meeting. The Commission requested that Ms. Anaya return to make a presentation and provide additional information regarding the existing shopping cart retrieval service contract.

Recommendation: Note receipt and file.

B. Front Yard Maintenance
Gloria Anaya, Sr. Housing & Neighborhood Preservation Specialist provided a brief presentation at the February 4, 2009 meeting. The Commission requested that Ms. Anaya return in June to make a presentation explaining the current ordinance, current policy, and provide the results from the Outreach Survey. The discussion for policy changes is scheduled for August 5th; this is an informational presentation to ensure everyone understands the current policy.

**Recommendation:** Note receipt and file.

C. **Neighborhood Night Out**

Neighborhood Night Out will be held Thursday, August 6, 2009. During the May meeting CAC members volunteered to visit other City Commission meetings to promote participation in National Night Out. Commissioner Mohsin is working directly with Officer Kevin Jackson and will forward any information/flyers to staff to forward to all Commissions.

**Recommendation:** Discuss progress and provide direction to staff as appropriate.

IX. **New Business**

A. **Approve the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-R) Program Funding Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009**

**Background:** On February 17, 2009, Title XII of Division A of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 appropriated $1 billion to carry out the CDBG-R Program Activities.

The City of Milpitas will be receiving $157,293 from the CDBG-R funding. Pursuant to the requirements for the CDBG-R funding allocation, the Recovery Act funds must be allocated to maximize job creation and economic benefit in relation to the following:

**Qualifying Activities**

A. Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery;
B. Assisting those most impacted by the recession;
C. Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency;
D. Investing in transportation, environmental protection or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;
E. Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services; or
F. Fostering energy independence

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has waived most of its CDBG mandatory requirements (30 day notification, sending out applications to grantees, comments on the Action Plan, no public hearing required etc., etc.), in order for the funds to be allocated quickly for those impacted the hardest by the recession and to assist in stimulating the economy. Staff has placed a notice of the CDBG-R meeting in the Milpitas Post and posted the notice on the City’s Website. HUD only notification
requirement was to post a notice at least 7 days on the website. Staff has also contacted those CDBG Service Providers that would eligible for the funding.

Because the CDBG-R funding is required to be allocated to the programs and activities stated above, this limits the number of potential service providers that would potentially receive funding under the normal CDBG process. Based on the current Service Providers, the staff recommends following qualifying activities:

- **Calle Oriente Park**-Provides for the design and construction of a complete renovation of the park. Improvements include new playground equipment, basketball court, lighting, drinking fountain, shade structure, benches, barbeques, landscaping and park sign (*Infrastructure Investment/Job Creation: Qualifying Activity-A and D*)

- **Rebuilding Together**-Provides safety, accessibility and mobility, energy efficiency repairs and improvements to very low-income senior homeowners. (*Job creation and Fostering energy independence: Qualifying Activity-A and F*)

- **Senior Housing Solutions**-Provide funds for acquisition, rehabilitation of single-family residence for five extremely low-income seniors. This project will also incorporate energy efficiency to reduce costs for seniors. (*Assisting those impacted most by the recession: Qualifying Activity-B and F*)

- **Milpitas Food Pantry**-Provide monthly supplemental supplies of food to very low and low-income families. (*Assisting those most impacted by the recession: Qualifying Activity-B and E*)

- **Support Network for Battered Women**-Provides domestic violence services which include emergency shelter for victims, 24-hour crisis line, counseling services for victims and their children. Also, community outreach and teen dating violence prevention presentations. (*Minimizing or avoiding reductions essential services: Qualifying Activity-B and E*)

Staff recommends the following CDBG-R Funding allocation:

- Calle Oriente Park $100,000
- Rebuilding Together $10,000
- Senior Housing Solution $30,000
- Milpitas Food Pantry $12,293
- Support Network for Battered $5,000

**Total: $157,293**

 Upon final approval by the City Council at its June 16\(^{th}\) meeting, the Milpitas Action Plan for FY 2009-10 will required to be amended to reflect the approved projects and activities and forwarded to HUD for approval. Also, included is a copy of the CDBG funding for the current fiscal year if the CAC desires to reallocate the funding as recommended by staff. Additional qualifying activities are highlighted in bold type.

**Recommendation:** Approve the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-R) Funding and forward recommendation to the City Council.
B. **Subcommittee/Task Force Status Reports**

X. **Adjournment to** August 05, 2009

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