



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: October 20, 2009

TO: Chairperson and Boardmembers

FROM: Housing and Redevelopment Division, Community Development Department

SUBJECT: Implementation Plan 2010-2014 For The Central City Redevelopment Project Area – Public Hearing

RECOMMENDATION: That the Redevelopment Agency Board:

- A. Review the Draft Implementation Plan, consider any comments received and, if appropriate, direct staff to make the necessary changes; and
- B. Adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Santa Barbara Approving and Adopting the Implementation Plan 2010-2014 for the Central City Redevelopment Project Area as required by California Health and Safety Code Section 33490.

DISCUSSION:

California Community Redevelopment Law as contained in Health & Safety Code Section 33490 requires Redevelopment Agencies to prepare and adopt, after a public hearing, an Implementation Plan every five years for each redevelopment project area. The Redevelopment Agency's current Implementation Plan 2005-2009 was adopted October 19, 2004 through Agency Resolution No. 989. The Agency's Implementation Plan for 2010-2014 must be adopted before December 31, 2009.

The Implementation Plan (Plan) must contain: 1) the specific goals and objectives of the Agency for the CCRP; 2) the specific programs, including potential projects, anticipated or planned for the next five years; 3) the estimated expenditures proposed to be made during the next five years; 4) an explanation of how the goals, objectives, programs and expenditures will eliminate blight within the CCRP; and 5) an explanation of how the Agency will implement the low and moderate income housing provisions required by Redevelopment Law during each of the next five years.

The Plan presents the Agency's anticipated programs, projects and expenditures in two sections. The first section identifies the Agency's approved and potential capital programs and projects. The second section presents the anticipated programs and projects to be funded with the Housing Set-Aside funds.

In preparing the Draft Plan, staff has included projects included in the current Implementation Plan that have not yet been undertaken but which remain under consideration and projects that have requested funding through the Agency's Fiscal Year 2010 Capital Program Funding process, as well as other projects that could be beneficial to consider in the near future. The Implementation Plan should be viewed as a general policy and program document. All costs are conceptual estimates and as such, the Agency is not obligated to carry out the projects identified in the Plan. Adoption of the Plan does not constitute an approval of any specific program, project or expenditure described in the Plan and therefore, an Implementation Plan is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requiring environmental documentation.

Should the Agency wish to pursue in the next five years any project not included in the Implementation Plan, the Plan may be amended to include the new project or program although it is not required.

Pursuant to the Health and Safety Code, a notice of the availability of the Draft Implementation Plan 2010-2014 and of the public hearing was posted in four prominent places in the Central City Redevelopment Project Area beginning on September 28, 2009. Display ads providing the same information were published in the Pacific Coast Business Times on September 18-24, September 25 – October 1, October 2-8 and in the Santa Barbara News-Press on October 2, 2009. The Draft Implementation Plan 2010-2014 was made available for viewing on the City's website beginning on September 17, 2009.

Copies of the Draft Implementation Plan 2010-2014 were made available for review in the Council reading file and by the public at City Hall at the City Clerk's Office, at the Housing and Redevelopment Division office (630 Garden Street) and on the City's website:

(http://www.santabarbaraca.gov/Resident/Home/Redevelopment/rda_reports.htm)

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