

City of Calistoga
COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMISSION



Chairperson: Karen Chang
Vice – Chair: Eleno Nunez
Members: Sandra “Sue” Harper
Megan Hunt
Indira Lopez
Bev More
Rita Squire

MINUTES
Wednesday, May 20, 2009 – 5:30 P.M.
Community Center, 1307 Washington Street

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2 **A) CALL TO ORDER**
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4 The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Chang on April 15, 2009, at 5:35
5 p.m., at the Calistoga Community Center. Commissioners present included
6 Commissioners Harper, Lopez, Hunt. Also present were Aquatics & Recreation
7 Manager, Olivia Lemen, Recreation Superintendant Frank DiFede and
8 Administrative Secretary Lorie Goldbeck.
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10 **Commissioner More joined the meeting at 5:48 p.m.**

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12 **B) PUBLIC COMMENT**
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14 No public comment.
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16 **C) ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA**
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18 Commissioner Harper moved to adopt the meeting agenda, Commissioner
19 Lopez seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
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21 **D) CONSENT CALENDAR**
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23 The following items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and
24 are approved by a single motion. The Chairperson or any member of the
25 Commission or of the public may request that any item listed under the Consent
26 Calendar be removed and action taken separately. In the event that an item is
27 removed from the Consent Calendar, it shall be considered in its numerical
28 order.
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- 30 1) Minutes of the regular Community Resources Commission Meeting on March
31 18, 2009. RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve Minutes.
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33 Commissioner Harper moved to approve the April 15, 2009, minutes and
34 Commissioner Lopez seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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E) PRESENTATIONS

- 2) City Clerk Susan Sneddon will provide an overview of the Ralph M. Brown Act, the City's Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics.

City Clerk, Su Sneddon, made a presentation to the Commission on the Ralph Brown Act and the City's Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics. She explained that all meetings of a legislative body or local agency are open to the public and therefore subject to the rules and regulations of the Brown Act. She noted that the CRC is listed in the City's Conflict of Interest Code which requires them to complete the FPPC Form 700 to be filed with the City Clerk's office. She explained that this was initiated by the public act to disclose any financial interest or conflict of interest.

F) GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- 3) Follow-up discussion regarding presentation last month on the Greenways project.

Chairperson Chang discussed the Greenway presentation previously given by Dieter Deiss and his request for the Community Resources Commission follow up. She noted that the CRC could consider the initiative and make a recommendation to the City Council.

There was discussion and consensus about directing City Staff research the City's General Plan and to draft a staff report and recommendation to City Council for the CRC review and approval.

Peter Potrebic (resides outside City limits) commented that he sees this as an opportunity for more than biking and pointed out that this would create a safe alternative mode of transportation for the children in town and offered his support for the initiative.

Dieter Deiss, 3000 Palisades Road, reiterated that the Calistoga Chamber and the Bicycle Advisory Committee, and possibly the Napa Fairgrounds, are in support of the initiative and that a study has already been done by the Federal Government along the riverfront. He requested that the CRC make a recommendation to Council to appoint a special ad hoc committee in order to revisit the issue and evaluate the costs and benefits involved. He noted that this would be an investment in to the City and it also helps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

- 76 4) Discuss draft green initiative actions for inclusion into the City's Climate Action
77 Plan.
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79 Chairperson Chang combined Item 4 and Item 5 under General Updates. There
80 was committee discussion regarding the previously created green initiatives
81 checklist that was designed to encourage community involvement and various
82 ways to reduce Calistoga's greenhouse gas emissions.
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84 Associate Planner, Erik Lundquist, reported that the City is working together with
85 several other cities in Napa County to create countywide sustainability initiatives
86 and targets which will be presented to the CRC for final recommendations to the
87 Planning Commission, the Board of Appeals and City Council.
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89 Michael Quast, 1300 Washington Street, commented that the City of Calistoga
90 has antiquated parking standards that should be reevaluated at the Planning
91 Commission level. He feels that the current parking requirements for
92 redevelopment are unrealistic and unfriendly to the environment and commented
93 that he would rather have more open spaces than parking lots and would like
94 the City to consider changing the current requirements and consider using under
95 utilized parking areas and street parking. He requested the Commission's
96 assistance with this matter.
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98 **G) GENERAL UPDATES**

- 99 5) Update from Calistoga Pool Advisory Subcommittee.
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101 Commissioner Harper reported that there is water in the pool. The Pool
102 Advisory Committee has been working on ideas for the ribbon cutting ceremony
103 and the planning for the opening day celebration scheduled for June 13th and
104 14th. They are also closely monitoring potential federal funding opportunities
105 for geothermal and solar heating for the pool and fundraising possibilities. She
106 noted that she has very much enjoyed being a part of this process and thanked
107 everyone for their dedication and enthusiasm.

108 Aquatic & Recreation Manager Lemen reported that there are still some issues
109 and concerns with the contractor and completion of the pool, but noted that we
110 are on schedule for the pool to open June 4th.

111 **G) COMMISSIONERS OPEN DISCUSSION**

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113 None.
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115 **H) ADJOURNMENT**

116 Chairperson Chang requested a motion to adjourn. Commissioner More
117 moved and Commissioner Harper seconded.
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119 The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m. to the next scheduled regular meeting
120 of the Calistoga Community Resources Commission, on Wednesday, July 15,
121 2009, Calistoga Community Center, 1307 Washington Street, 5:30 p.m.
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126 **Lorie Goldbeck, Administrative Secretary**

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