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, June 17, 2009 – 5:30 P.M. Community Center, 1307 Washington Street

A) CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Chang on June 17, 2009, at 5:30 p.m., at the Calistoga Community Center. Commissioners present included Commissioners Harper, Lopez, Squire, More and Hunt. Also present were Aquatics & Recreation Manager, Olivia Lemen and Administrative Secretary Lorie Goldbeck.

Vice Chair Nunez joined the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

B) PUBLIC COMMENT

Planning & Building Director Charlene Gallina presented the Bicycle Advisory Committee's new City of Calistoga Bike Map. She noted the map was approved at the last Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting and will be available throughout the City and will also be posted on the City's website.

Planning & Building Director Gallina requested the Commission's permission to address Item 4, discussion of the draft green initiative actions for inclusion into the City's Climate Action Plan, following approval of the Consent Calendar as she has another meeting to attend.

Dieter Deiss, 3000 Palisades Road, commented that the National Park Service is accepting applications through their Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program, to provide assistance to help achieve community-set goals through partnership-building, organizational development, assessing resources, developing concept plans, public education and participation, and identifying potential sources of funding. He also commented that the Rotary Club has created a check list to assist its members with common household practices to reduce their carbon footprint and noted that the Greenway Project would have a big impact on reductions as less people would be driving.

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C) ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA

Commissioner More moved to adopt the meeting agenda as amended with the move of *Item 4* under General Government. Commissioner Harper seconded and the agenda was adopted as modified.

D) CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and are approved by a single motion. The Chairperson or any member of the Commission or of the public may request that any item listed under the Consent Calendar be removed and action taken separately. In the event that an item is removed from the Consent Calendar, it shall be considered in its numerical order.

1) Minutes of the regular Community Resources Commission Meeting on May 20, 2009. RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve Minutes.

It was noted that the dates on lines 4 and 30 needed to be corrected to read May 20, 2009 meeting date and April 15, 2009 minutes, respectively.

Commissioner Harper moved to approve the April 15, 2009 minutes with the corrections noted above and Commissioner Squire seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

E) GENERAL GOVERNMENT

4) Discuss draft green initiative actions for inclusion into the City's Climate Action Plan.

 Planning & Building Director Gallina provided an update on the Climate Action Plan and discussed some examples of action programs that the City would like included in the action plan. City staff are working with other Napa County agencies to create a list of county wide projects as well as issues unique to each jurisdiction that can be implemented. The goal is to have a complete list by the end of June. Once completed, the NCTPA will issue a letter requesting that each jurisdiction go through the pubic hearing and comment process. Once this process is completed, the action plan will be presented to the CRC and Planning Commission for formal recommendation to City Council. The NCTPA will then do a cost benefit analysis and will issue a draft plan to all City's for another formal public hearing process.

3) Review CRC 2008-2009 work plan and discuss the Greenways project.

Aquatic & Recreation Manager Olivia Lemen reported that the Greenway Project recommendation to City Council fits under the current CRC work

plan's Green and Sustainable Practices. Olivia requested confirmation on the CRC's desire to move forward with a formal recommendation to City Council.

Chairperson Chang requested that staff review the City's General Plan and draft a recommendation to Council to move forward with conducting a feasibility study and forming a special ad hoc committee to assist with development and planning. Chairperson Chang noted that the CRC would like to reiterate their commitment and enthusiasm to green and sustainable initiatives for Calistoga to City Council.

F) GENERAL UPDATES

Commissioner Harper reported that the feedback from the community regarding the pool has been fantastic. She is very impressed with the faculty and staff.

Aquatic & Recreation Manager Lemen reported that the pool has been an easy transition for the community because they have anticipated this for a long time. She reported that the opening celebration was well attended and programs are underway. She also reported that the Vamos program that provides family swim lessons, safety instruction and nutrition information to low income and Hispanic families has been very successful and fun.

G) COMMISSIONERS OPEN DISCUSSION

Commissioner Harper reported that she will not be taking an extended vacation this year and will not require a leave of absence from the Commission.

H) ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Chang requested a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Harper moved and Commissioner More seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m. to the next scheduled regular meeting of the Calistoga Community Resources Commission, on Wednesday, July 15. 2009, Calistoga Community Center, 1307 Washington Street, 5:30 p.m.

Lorie Goldbeck, Administrative Secretary

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