

**WEST OAKLAND PROJECT AREA COMMITTEE (WOPAC)
GENERAL MEETING AGENDA**

West Oakland Senior Center, 1724 Adeline Street, Second Floor
Wednesday, October 11, 2006 6:30 P.M.-9:00 P.M

REMINDER: THE WOPAC IS NOW HEARING PROJECTS FIRST AT THE COMMITTEE LEVEL: PLEASE SEE THE AGENDA BELOW TO SEE WHICH COMMITTEE EACH PROJECT IS SCHEDULED FOR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THE DISCUSSION

I. Welcome, Call to Order and Roll Call

Roll Call: Rice, Parrott, Amao, Beasley, Bouze, Eschelle, Herbert, Huff, Hurwich, Horiuchi/McGee, Gordon, Lowe, Mac Donald, Wells, Wyrick-Parkinson, Kidd, Howard

II. Approval of Minutes for Meeting Held September 13, 2006

III. Open Forum (2 minutes each)

IV. Chairpersons Report (5 minutes)

1. Process for project presentations and approval
This item is also scheduled for the October 5 Planning subcommittee meeting.

2. Scheduling: Should the WOPAC meet in December?

V. ORA Staff Report

1. ORA Staff Report—Ms. Wendy Simon (15 minutes)

- Correspondence
- Update on development projects list in West Oakland Redevelopment Project Area
- Update on People's Credit Union Tenant Improvement Grant
- Update on WOPAC Extension Council item
- Update on fiscal merger between West Oakland & Army Base

VI. Old Business

1. 7th Street Streetscape: Request for a motion to appropriate West Oakland Tax Increment Funds for local match for the recently awarded MTC grant -- Margot Lederer-Prado (5 minutes)

Please see attached report. WOPAC action requested on this item.

2. Request for WOPAC approval for letters to the Oakland Planning Commission and Port of Oakland regarding Projects Committees – Steve Lowe (5 minutes)

Please see attached draft letters

. WOPAC action requested on this item.

3. Letter to Mayor-Elect Ron Dellums (5 minutes)

4. Update on Romak Ironworks--- Bill Lightner (5 minutes)

This item was also presented at the September 13 WOPAC meeting. WOPAC action requested.

5. Update on Hollis/34th Street Project --- Kathy Kuhner (5 minutes)

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6. Main Street Program: Follow-up questions and answers to August presentation- Jai Jennifer (10 minutes) (No action needed)

V. New Business

1. Presentation: Victorian Home Design Review & Condo Conversions--- Betty Marvin (10 minutes)

2. Presentation: Prescott Oakland Point neighborhood historic designation issues --- Betty Marvin (10 minutes)

Committee Reports

3. Community Outreach/Equitable Development Committee (5 minutes)

4. Neighborhood Planning Committee (5 minutes)

3. Trees and Transportation Committee (5 minutes)

4. Neighborhood Safety Ad Hoc Committee (5 minutes)

VII. Announcements (2 minutes)

VIII. Future Agenda Topics and New Business (3 minutes)

1. 800 West MacArthur --- Toby Levy

IX. Adjournment

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ADDRESSING THE WEST OAKLAND PROJECT AREA COMMITTEE

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Old Business

7th Street Streetscape: Request for a motion to appropriate West Oakland Tax Increment Funds for local match for the recently awarded MTC grant -- Margot Lederer-Prado

Ms. Lederer-Prado (CEDA/Economic Development Unit) suggested the following motion: “ to support the use of \$205,000 in West Oakland Redvelopment Area Funds, to be combined with an additional \$125,000 from Transportation Measure B and \$50,000 District Three Pay-Go as the Local Match Requirement for Receipt of a Grant from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission/Transportation for Livable Communities Capital Program in the amount of \$1.9 Million Dollars”

MOTION by Steve Lowe, seconded by Jabari Herbert to support the above motion.

VOTE: Ayes: 12 Noes: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion passes.

2. Request for WOPAC approval for letters to the Oakland Planning Commission and Port of Oakland regarding Projects Committees

After discussion, the members agreed to have this item continued until the next meeting so that the letter could be refined and updated.

3. Letter to Mayor-Elect Ron Dellums

MOTION by Stefanie Parrott, seconded by Margaret Gordon, to send this letter with a friendly amendment by Margaret Gordon to add all WOPAC members’ names and their organizations.

VOTE: Ayes: 11 Noes: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion passes.

4. Update on Romak Ironworks--- Bill Lightner

There were 3 public speakers. Monsa, Jumoke Hinton Hodge and Kathy Kuhner.

MOTION by Steve Lowe, seconded by Ellen Wyrick-Parkinsen, to approve the Romak Ironworks Project.

VOTE: Ayes: 5 Noes: 5 Abstentions: 0

Motion does not pass.

5. Update on Hollis/34th Street Project --- Kathy Kuhner

Ms. Kuhner updated the members on her project. There was no action taken.

6. Main Street Program: Follow-up questions and answers to August presentation- Jai Jennifer
Mr. Jennifer did not attend the meeting.

New Business

1. Presentations: Victorian Home Design Review & Condo Conversions and Oakland Point neighborhood historic designation issues --- Betty Marvin

Ms. Marvin (CEDA/Planning) presented information on the Historic Preservation Element and Historic District Designation. She distributed information and answered questions regarding the process for condo conversions.

Committee Reports

There were no subcommittee reports.

Announcements

Members made four announcements about various events in the Project Area.

Future Agenda Topics and New Business

This item was not discussed due to time constraints.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:28.

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