RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, July 31, 2007

The Joint Meeting of the Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency/ Richmond Housing Authority/City Council was called to order at 4:46 p.m. by Chairperson/Mayor Gayle McLaughlin.

ROLL CALL

Present: Boardmembers/Commissioners/Councilmembers Bates, Butt, Marquez, Lopez, McLaughlin, Rogers, Thurmond, Viramontes, and tenant Commissioner Williams. Absent: Commissioner Hall.

STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

AGENCY/AUTHORITY/COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

A proposal to review and recommend to the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners and Agency Board, policy direction regarding two policy alternatives for use of the Fire Training site. The policy alternatives are: (1) authorize the Housing Authority to continue negotiations with the Redevelopment Agency, McCormack Baron Salazar, and EM Johnson Interests to execute agreements for the acquisition and development of the Fire Training site; or (2) authorize staff to retain the Fire Training site for its current use and to identify alternative resources for the necessary capital improvements to support this effort. Tim Jones, Housing Director, and Michael Banks, Fire Chief, gave an overview of the item. The following individuals spoke on this item: Terry Harris, James B. Harris, and Robin Poindexter. A motion was made by Boardmember/Commissioner/Councilmember Viramontes, seconded by Boardmember/Commissioner/Councilmember Marquez, to: (1) authorize staff to go to HUD to get reauthorization of $1.2 million dollars of Hope VI funding for affordable housing to go towards the Nystrom Project, (2) The Redevelopments Agency’s commitment to the Hope VI Project for housing is returned to the affordable housing for the Nystrom Project, (3) that the fire station remain at the current location and the City Council authorize placing it on the Construction Improvement Project list (CIP) for FY 2008/2009, and (4) in Closed Session the city attorney come back and explain the Chevron issue and whether or not the City has any value on the $2 million dollar lease on that property. The motion passed by the unanimous vote of the Council.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Clerk of the Richmond Community
Redevelopment Agency/Richmond
Housing Authority/Richmond
City Council

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Approved:

Chairperson/Mayor