

**HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION (HCDC)**

**SYNOPSIS OF ANNUAL RETREAT ON AUGUST 11, 2012 FROM 9AM-1PM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Darrow, Vice Chair Tom, Commissioners Ellak, Norimoto, Pandey  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None  
**CITY STAFF:** W. Chen (Housing), L. Corsiglia (Housing), Morales-Ferrand (Housing),  
Vice Mayor M. Nguyen (Council Liaison)  
**GUESTS:** S. Duval  
**LOCATION:** 901. East Santa Clara Street, Classrooms 1 & 2, San José, CA 95116

\*\*\*Digital audio recording of the meeting can be obtained from the  
City of San Jose Housing Department\*\*\*

**AGENDA ITEM**

**(a) Call to Order/Orders of the Day**

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. Chair Darrow moved Item F up to be heard after Item C.

**(b) Introductions**

Commissioners, staff, and public introduced themselves.

**(c) Announcements**

No announcements were made

**(d) Recap of FY 2011-12 (L. Corsiglia, Housing Department)**

Staff provided a report on the key events and issues affecting housing in FY 2011-12. These include: dissolution of RDA, lack of resources due to the elimination of RDA and diminishing State and federal funds, increasing rents and improving for-sale market likely to lead to even worse affordability problems than before, overcrowding and associated safety hazards, and homelessness.

Commission discussion followed the staff report.

**(e) Department Priorities for FY 2012-13 Housing Department (L. Corsiglia, Housing)**

Staff provided a report on the Housing Department's policy priorities for FY 2012-13. They include: exploring new revenue sources, policies, and incentives for housing; working on Redevelopment Law; continuing to work on the City's inclusionary ordinance; facilitating pipeline projects; implementing urban villages; furthering the place-based strategy; addressing homelessness; facilitating fair housing efforts; and working on regional issues with neighboring cities.

Commission discussion followed the staff report.

**(f) Priorities and Issues Facing San José in 2012-13 (Vice Mayor Nguyen, District 7)**

The Vice Mayor discussed her top priorities for housing in FY 2012-13, including Title 20 changes to increase the distance between schools and incompatible land uses, burglaries, and homelessness.

Commission discussion followed the report.

**(g) Commissioner Statements and Priorities (W. Chen, Housing Department)**

Commissioners presented their top housing priorities for FY 2012-13.

Chair Darrow: fill the RDA void; partner with cities and county; implement the General Plan; educate and frame housing issues; and focus on housing for extremely low-income residents.

Vice Chair Tom: interested in Housing 1000; create housing for those greatest in need, emphasis on extremely low-income housing; and create opportunities for people to be able to live and work in the San Jose

Commissioner Ellak: implement urban villages; communicate the value of the Housing Department; create housing opportunities for extremely low-income, middle class, and senior households; work with developers; and find ways to lower the cost of development

Commissioner Norimoto: explore the potential for the Commission provide education to others on underlying housing issues; explore out of the box thinking in a post-RDA world.

Commissioner Pandey: address the homelessness issue, especially on increasing services; focus on extremely low-income housing; and work with private companies to develop funding sources for urban villages and energy efficiency.

**(h) Review of 2011-12 Accomplishments of Housing and Community (W. Chen, Housing)**

Staff provided a report of the Housing Commission's accomplishments, agenda items heard, and motions made.

**(i) Brainstorming, Development, and Possible Approval of 2012-13 HCDC Workplan (W. Chen, Housing)**

The Commission discussed policy priorities to include in its FY 2012-13 workplan. Staff will bring back a draft workplan for Commission review in September and/or October.

**(j) Open Forum**

No comments.

**(k) Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:48 pm.