

**DEL PASO HEIGHTS
REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Minutes

January 12, 2006

RAC Meeting

I. **Call to Order—6:05 PM by Chair Walter Kawamoto.**

II. **Roll Call**

RAC Members Present: Shawnté Harvey, Walter Kawamoto, Sherry Painter, Dora Perry, Thai Thao

RAC Members Absent: Domingo, Anderson

III. **Approval of December 8, 2005 Meeting Minutes**

Tabled due to incomplete copy. Hold over until February.

IV. **District 2 Report from Council Member Sandy Sheedy**

No report.

V. **Report on Police activities**

No report

VI. **Action Items**

- **Del Paso Heights Redevelopment Area Bond Financing**

Vickie Smith reported that SHRA is recommending a bond for Del Paso Heights to take advantage of low interest rates and tremendous property tax growth. The bond will provide an additional \$7 million to the project area, \$3 million of which is for housing. Interest rate on the bond will be 5.1%. SHRA Staff will work with RAC members to determine specific projects that will be funded through the bond in the near future. Dora Perry motioned to approve the item, Shawnte Harvey seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

VII. Information Items

- **Community Garden – Health Education Council**

Vickie Smith reported that the Health Education Council has requested to use land owned by SHRA as a community garden. This land is under the power lines and is not usable. There is currently a garden operated by MAN on another SHRA owned site. Staff would like the authority to enter into a long term agreement with both MAN and HEC for these sites. Thai Thao expressed concern that the gardens are not being properly maintained. Staff responded that the requirement to make sure that lots are properly cleaned could be added to the lease agreement. Charles Wells from MAN also said that they are very concerned about making sure that gardens operated by MAN are clean and well maintained, and that any problems should be brought to his attention immediately. RAC members requested a report back in February and requested that they be allowed to review a map of where all of the gardens are located.

VII. Redevelopment Activities not on the Agenda

Vickie Smith reported that four new members have been appointed to the RAC and will begin their terms in February. Walter Kawamoto was not reappointed and he was thanked by both staff and fellow RAC members for his service.

VIII. Communication from RAC / Public on items not on the Agenda

- Charles Wells reviewed the Lights in the Heights report. He indicated that 42 homes participated in the contest and over 150 people attended the awards ceremony. MAN is now beginning planning for the upcoming spring contest.
- Roger Dickenson, County Supervisor for district one, attended and spoke briefly to the group about flood protection.

IX. Adjournment

Sherry Painter motioned to adjourn the meeting. Thai Thao seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7pm.