

**HAYWARD REDEVELOPMENT AREA COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING**

October 18, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

**Room 1C
Hayward City Hall
777 B Street
Hayward, CA 94541**

The Public Comments section provides an opportunity to address the Committee on items not listed on the agenda. The Committee welcomes your comments and requests that speakers present their remarks in a respectful manner, within established time limits, and focus on issues which directly affect the Committee or are within the jurisdiction of the City. As the Committee is prohibited by State law from discussing items not listed on the agenda, your item will be taken under consideration and may be referred to staff.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Public Comments
- III. Approval of Minutes – May 24, 2006
- IV. Update of Redevelopment Activities
 - Downtown Sub-Area
 - Hayward Cinema Place
 - Downtown Retail Attraction Program
 - Cannery/Burbank Sub-Area
 - Burbank School/Park Projects
 - Private Development Activity
 - Mission/Foothill Sub-Area
 - 238 Corridor Study
- V. New/General Business
- VI. Adjournment

Summary Notes
Hayward Redevelopment Area Committee (HRAC)
Special Meeting

May 24, 2006

Present: Sheila Junge, David Long, Carol Heard, Michael Aahl, Bill Vandenburg, Joe Connell, Bonnie Peyton, Rosemarie Ramos, Rick Tipton, Joseph Oberman, Jeevan Zutshi

Absent: Suzanne Cox

Staff: Maret Bartlett, Redevelopment Director; Jesús Armas, City Manager; Angelina Reyes, City Clerk; Cecelia Cooke, Redevelopment Secretary (Minutes)

Members of the Public: Rudy Grasseschi, Mike Cox, Morgan Cahee

I. Call to Order

Sheila Junge called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

II. Public Comments

Mike Cox said that the houses at Carlos Bee, which are State property, were boarded up about two months ago, and there is graffiti and signs of degrading. It is a dumping ground.

III. Approval of Minutes – April 19, 2006

Bill Vandenburg made a motion to accept the April 19, 2006 Minutes; **Rosemarie Ramos** seconded. Minutes were unanimously approved.

IV. Swearing in of New Committee Members

Angelina Reyes, City Clerk, swore in the new HRAC Committee Members, Bonnie Peyton and Zeevan Zutshi.

V. Route 238 Corridor Improvement Project

Jesús Armas gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Route 238 Corridor Improvement Project.

- Mr. Armas told the Committee that the information is also available on the City of Hayward's website.
- The project area encompasses an area five miles from Maddox to Foothill Boulevard north and also Mission Boulevard to Industrial south.
- Segment A, Segment B, and Segment C were presented – both the current description and the proposed ideas for the various areas.
- The proposed project has to be environmentally evaluated and cleared before it can go forward. It will be at least 18 months before it can be acted on.
- **Jesús Armas** said the overall project will cost approximately \$90 Million; \$80 Million from Alameda County Transportation Agency and the City of Hayward is responsible for the rest.
- **Miscellaneous Comments/Questions:**
 - **Carol Heard** asked what the speed limit will be.
 - **Jesús Armas** said he believes it will be 45 mph.
 - **Question** was asked what will replace the “Five Flags” gateway.
 - **Jesús Armas** said if the land is acquired, it will be landscaped; maybe an archway could be put there.
 - **Question** was asked about the levels of the intersection.
 - **Jesús Armas** said a traffic analysis is being conducted as part of the EIR.
 - **Bill Vandenburg** asked what the economic impact to the downtown will be.
 - **Jesús Armas** discussed the types of businesses that exist already and how they might be impacted. This issue will be explored in the course of determining whether to implement the project.
 - There was discussion regarding the one way streets and how they will affect traffic going into Castro Valley, and people cutting through residential areas.

- **Jesús Armas** said this is being looked at as part of the EIR.
- **David Long** asked how the State will be involved in this process.
 - **Jesús Armas** explained that 238 is a State highway and has to be petitioned by the City to become a City street. The State will pay the City for improving Mission Boulevard before it is accepted by the City.
- **Bonnie Peyton** brought up the Plunge area – people come from other cities so it is not only local traffic that will be impacted. She expressed concern about the pedestrian situation and the children who cross the streets all the time and their safety. What about an overpass for safe crossing.
 - **Jesús Armas** said the Hayward Unified School District is looking at the possibility of closing the campus during lunch every day, which will help. There will also be bike lanes.
- **Joe Connell** asked regarding the grade separation, if there would be enough time to get over to the correct lane with merging.
 - **Jesús Armas** said yes; there is some concern about this and we will have to look at signage to direct traffic.
- **Question** was asked about Zorns on A Street coming down. If so, will this straighten out Mission Boulevard?
- **Maret Bartlett** said we need to acknowledge the location of the earthquake fault in this area.
- **Bonnie Peyton** expressed concern about dust during the construction.

Ms. Peyton asked if the City has considered having an 800 number during construction in case people have questions.

 - **Jesús Armas** said yes. People will need a point of contact.
- The consensus of the Committee was that they liked and felt better about the 238 Corridor after seeing the presentation and having their questions addressed by Mr. Armas.

VI. New/General Business

The Committee decided to cancel the July 12, 2006 meeting since they met in March, April, and May this year.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2006. There was some discussion about changing the date to late September or another date in October due to vacation schedules. The Committee will be called in September to poll for a date.

VII. Adjournment

Rosemarie Ramos made a motion to adjourn; **Michael Aahl** seconded; meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.