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GARDEN GROVE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND
CONSERVATION COMMISSION (NICC)

REGULAR MEETING

COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER
11300 STANFORD AVENUE
GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA

MONDAY
JUNE 2, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the NICC was called to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Community Meeting Center.

PRESENT: CHAIR SILVERBERG, VICE CHAIR HANNA,
COMMISSIONERS BAINTO, FREER

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS BRAGGINS, HOROWITZ, NGUYEN

ALSO PRESENT: Allison Mills, Senior Project Manager; Mary Ann Hamamura, Deputy Director; Greg Brown, Sr. Project Manager; Paul Guerrero, Sr. Economic Dev. Specialist; and Nancy Ragen, Recording Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Freer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Freer moved to approve the Minutes from April 7, 2008, seconded by Vice Chair Hanna, and was carried with the following vote:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: SILVERBERG, HANNA, BAINTO, FREER

NOES: COMMISSIONERS: NONE

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: BRAGGINS, HOROWITZ, NGUYEN

ORAL COMMUNICATION

None.

PUBLIC HEARING

Substantial Amendment #1 to the 2007-08 Action Plan for the Use of HUD funds

Staff explained that the proposed amendment is to allocate the HOME program income to the Multi Family Housing Acquisition/Rehab program. The Commission is to conduct a public hearing to accept public comments and recommend transmittal of Substantial Amendment No. 1 to the City Council.

Chair Silverberg opened the public hearing to receive testimony.

There being no comments, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

Commissioner Bainto moved to recommend the transmittal of the Substantial Amendment No. 1 to City Council, seconded by Commissioner Freer, and was carried with the following vote:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: SILVERBERG, HANNA, BAINTO, FREER
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: NONE
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: BRAGGINS, HOROWITZ, NGUYEN

MATTERS FROM STAFF

Economic Development Update – Chet Yoshizaki/Paul Guerrero

Paul Guerrero, Sr. Econ. Dev. Specialist, provided a power point update regarding the International West resort area as well as the Century and Brookhurst triangle projects.

Vice Chair Hanna commented on the lack of high-end retail stores in the city.

Commissioner Bainto inquired about any projected analysis being done regarding the construction of hotels and the occupancy rates. Greg Brown, Sr. Project Planner, replied that the developer and the city have conducted studies, and additional rooms will be needed between Anaheim, Garden Grove, and other nearby areas that are part of this resort market.

Commissioner Freer stated there is a need for additional parking and asked if there were any plans for building a parking structure. Mr. Brown responded there is no plan to build a parking structure because of the expense.

Vice Chair Hanna indicated the need for landscaping throughout the city. Commissioner Bainto suggested applying for grant monies to improve the landscaping.

MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

NANCY J. RAGEN
Recording Secretary