

AGENDA MEETING 10  
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MARCH 17, 2015

STRONG NEIGHBORHOODS

1. Welcome and Introductions –Committee Chair Adam Lee
2. Minutes of March 5, 2015
3. Vote on each of the discussion points/majority vote
4. Discussion of City Council Comments
  - Should we have a higher priority for new housing construction?  
Should we have a preference for mixed income projects?
  - Should we have a lower priority for homebuyer assistance? (in response to comment that ownership isn't needed as much in urban areas)
  - Should we increase outputs for jobs and development ?(in response for desire for new jobs – issue here is how to achieve such an outcome, since there has traditionally been low or no demand for CDBG job creation funds)
  - Should we require abutting landlords to partly pay for sidewalk and street improvements? (in response to desire to stretch City and CDBG dollars – many issues with this, would direct \$ to where landlords are willing to pay in rather than where sidewalks are needed, and no other owners in the City are asked to pay extra for public improvements in front of their houses)
  - Should we broaden the eligibility for social service funds to include recreation scholarships? (in response to strong support for recreation program on Council – Note: this does not address our current anti-poverty goal of helping teens and adults transition out of poverty. Do we change the strategy to include recreation for pre-teens or social services in general? Or do we ask the Recreation Department to alter its selection process to give preference to working families, and thus fit the existing plan criteria?)
  - Other Topics not part of the Consolidated Plan
    1. Housing Authority issues
      - a. Convert Roak Block to mixed income
      - b. Voucher preference for the homeless
    2. Youth summer work opportunities or apprenticeship/mentoring in the public works program (this might fit into the existing youth anti-poverty grants)
5. Adjournment