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MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE
September 13, 2013
MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Chair Spering called the MTC Planning Committee meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Planning Committee members in attendance were: Commissioners Haggerty, Halsted, Liccardo, and Luce. Commission Chair Rein Worth, and Commission Vice-Chair Cortese were present in their ex-officio capacity. Commissioners' Bates, Tissier, and Weiner were also in attendance.

CONSENT CALENDAR: a) Minutes of July 12, 2013

Commissioner Rein Worth moved approval of the Consent Calendar, Commissioner Luce seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

BAY AREA REGIONAL PROSPERITY PLAN PROJECT

Mr. Vikrant Sood presented an update on the Prosperity Plan project, which includes three inter-connected work areas: 1) Housing the Workforce Initiative, which supports the development of strategies, tools and policy solutions for the production and preservation of affordable housing in transit-served areas, and neighborhood stabilization in communities at risk of displacement; 2) Economic Prosperity Initiative, which supports the development of an Economic Prosperity Strategy that addresses economic mobility and opportunity for low- and moderate-income workers in the region; and 3) Equity Initiative, which provides tools and resources to ensure that under-represented groups most in need of affordable housing and quality jobs participate in developing and implementing the Prosperity Plan.

He noted that it is anticipated that the Prosperity Plan work will be completed by March 2015.

Committee discussion:

- Commissioner Spering asked why the plan is focusing on job creation that is limited to jobs earning below \$30/hour? Mr. Sood stated that the plan is looking at strategies for moving workers who are making less than \$18/hr., which is the median wage for a moderate income worker in the Bay Area, up the wage and career ladder. The plan is also looking at businesses and industries that can grow and provide jobs in the \$18 - \$30/hr. wage range, which could provide opportunities for low- and moderate-income workers.
- Commissioner Spering suggested that staff develop a definition for displacement because displacement has a different meaning in Solano County than in downtown San Francisco.

- Commissioner Liccardo inquired whether there are any restrictions on the HUD grant that would preclude MTC from using the grant funds to engage community colleges and workforce development agencies in developing training programs that help low-income communities. Mr. Sood clarified that there are no restrictions on how the funds may be spent. Community colleges and workforce investment boards, along with economic development agencies and business groups, local jurisdictions, transit agencies, and community-based organizations are engaged in the process because many of the strategies go beyond land use planning and regional planning.
- Commissioner Rein-Worth concurred with Commissioner Liccardo's comments on working with schools. She commented on affordable housing, and asked if staff will be including some kind of public outreach about this effort. Mr. Sood responded that all projects that are funded through the Housing Initiative will develop some information and outreach materials. He also described a project that was funded through the second round of housing sub grants that specifically looks at developing outreach materials that can be used by elected officials, local jurisdictions, and community based organizations to make the case for integrating affordable housing in many of the communities.
- Commissioner Luce commented that Napa has developed the Work Proximity Housing Program which assists low to moderate income families purchase homes, and encouraged staff to look into that program.

Public Comment:

- Mr. Rich Hedges stated that he served on the Workforce Investment Board in San Mateo County and offered his help to staff.

OTHER BUSINESS/PUBLIC COMMENT

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m. The Committee's next meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 11, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. in the Lawrence D. Dahms Auditorium, Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter, Oakland, CA.