

**10x10 Affordable Housing Blue Ribbon Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, July 21, 2009, 10:30 a.m.**  
**Fresno City Hall, Meeting Room 3054**  
**2600 Fresno Street**  
**Fresno, California 93721**

Committee Members Present: Cynthia Sterling, Co-Chair, Fresno City Council President, District #3  
Dennis Woods, United Security Bank  
Sara Hedgpeth-Harris, League of Woman Voters  
Sharon Stanley, FIRM  
Tony Miranda, Habitat for Humanity  
Jeff Roberts, Granville Homes  
Bonnie Rusko, Center for Independent Living, DAV  
Brian Domingos, Sol Development  
Jose Luis Barraza

City Staff Present Claudia Cázares, Housing and Community Development Division Manager

Members Absent: Veda Stamps, The Ramsey Group  
Keith Bergthold, Co-Chair, Interim City of Fresno Planning and Development  
Department Director  
Robert Lutes

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:45 a.m. by Jeff Roberts, with both Co-Chairs not present

**I. INTRODUCTIONS**

Attendees introduced themselves

**II. INFORMATION REPORTS**

Claudia Cázares, Housing and Community Development Division Manager, City of Fresno provided an update on the status of the City's Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 application to HUD. The City's NSP2 application was prepared in partnership with the City of Fresno Housing Authority, and requested \$10,000,000 in funds to assist in stabilizing areas identified by both Code Enforcement statistics, and foreclosure statistics to be heavily impacted by abandoned and foreclosed homes.

**III. UPDATE ON HOUSING TRUST FUND REPORT**

Claudia Cázares, provided an update on the status of revisions to the Housing Trust Fund Gaps Analysis report prepared by the City's consultant, David Rosen and Associates (DRA). City staff, including the Interim Planning and Development Department Director, Keith Bergthold, have contacted local single family housing developers continuously to get concrete cost data to provide such information to the Consultants. Ms. Cázares explained that DRA had previously tried several times to get the same data from local developers and they would not return their calls, or contacted them to say that the data would not be provided.

Council President Cynthia Sterling proposed to organize a meeting with at least two developers to request the cost information directly, to then provide the information to DRA. It was proposed that DRA would receive the info by August 4, 2009, draft a revised gaps analysis report by the next 10 x 10 Committee meeting date of August 18, 2009, and prepare a Council workshop for August 27, 2009.

**IV. ATTENDANCE QUORUM ISSUES**

The Committee discussed issues pertaining to the lack of achieving a quorum at several past meetings. The Committee is interested in asking the City to displace members that do not attend a certain number of meetings, and possibly adding one member from the Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission, and one member

from the City of Fresno Housing Authorities. Ms. Cázares was asked to provide the Committee with a copy of the 10 x 10 Committee roster.

**V. RESTART SUB-COMMITTEES TO MEET 10 X 10 GOALS**

The Committee discussed the need to re-energize and start the sub-committee meetings to facilitate achieving the goals proposed under the 10 x 10 Affordable Housing Plan. It was determined that once the Housing Trust Fund Gaps Analysis issues were resolved, then the Committee could again focus on getting new appointments, re-analyzing previously set goals and sub-committees, and requesting Mayor Ashley Swearengin's review and approval of such. Ms. Hedgpeth-Harris offered to provide the group a template she prepared on the status of achieving 10 x 10 Committee goals.

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It was requested that Gregory Barfield, City of Fresno Homeless Policy and Prevention Manager, be asked to attend the August 21, 2009 10 x 10 Committee meeting.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.