



# Economic Revitalization Committee Minutes

Wednesday, May 25, 2010, 7:00pm

Robertson Recreation Center

1641 Preuss Road, 90035

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## I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00.

**Committee Members Present:** Bette Billet, Marjan Safinia, Doug Fitzsimmons, Nick Burkhart, Barry Levine

**Committee Members Absent:** Terrence Gomes

**Guests:** Rebecca Bernal, Sandra Willard, Steven Coker, Paula Waxman, Flod Fouquette, James Fowler (Cal Trans), Cynthia Williams (Cal Trans), Elizabeth Carlin, Larry Hess, Kimber Smith, David Giron

## II. General Public Comment

None

## III. Old Business

Tabled until next meeting

## IV. New Business

**Item 1.** James Fowler and Cynthia Williams from Cal Trans discussed the cleaning up of Freeway related areas around the on and off ramps for the 10 Freeway at Robertson with the committee and guests.

There was a lot of interest from Steve Coker and the Green Team Committee to collaborate with Cal Trans on the clean up and planting/greening of some of the areas, which are rarely kept up by Cal Trans.

In particular, areas where we identified the need for a Cal Trans inspection in conjunction with the Green Team included the area at Robertson and National, the area near the Jiffy Lube, the off ramp of the 10 Freeway heading West where the black screen has been vandalized and an investigation into the possibilities of Cal Trans adding access gates for the Green Team to be able to clean up and plant. There was also discussion of possible adoption of areas.

Paula Waxman offered to follow up with Cynthia Williams after June 1<sup>st</sup> to discuss walking the areas with a Cal Trans supervisor and devising a plan including budget for planting, determination of specific problems etc. Paula will report back to the committee.

**Item 2.** Presentation of a conceptual idea for the development of Regent Center Village by Floyd Fouquette. Floyd presented written and audio visual materials regarding a conceptual large scale development for the area surrounding the new Expo line on the Los Angeles side of the street. The committee discussed aspects of the project with Floyd, and were educated on the reality that Los Angeles is at least

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10 years behind Culver City on the development of this area to attract new business and economic prosperity as a result of the coming Expo Line.

Floyd's plan includes proposed realignment of the on and off ramps of the 10 Freeway, the creation of a large park space, LEED certified and ecological building and public landscaping ideas, and a vision for how this new development could be linked to South Robertson Boulevard, pulling some of the prosperity up into the neighborhood, and facilitating easier transportation links (shuttle, bicycle, pedestrian) to connect the residential areas with the large commercial site.

## **V. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.