

## County of Santa Cruz

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Board of Supervisors County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, California 95060

## **Affordable Housing Workshop**

Dear Members of the Board:

On August 7,2002 your Board scheduled an Affordable Housing Workshop and directed staff to invite representatives from the four city councils as well as the Housing Authority to make a presentation. In addition, your Board approved a tentative outline for the agenda which has now been finalized as Attachment In conjunction with these issues, staff was directed to prepare a report and make a presentation on housing issues in the County. This letter is intended to respond to the Board's direction.

The agenda provides for a staff presentation, representatives for each jurisdiction to make a presentation, and for the County Housing Authority to make a presentation. A public comment period would follow the jurisdiction presentations. It is our understanding that SEIU has indicated an interest in addressing the Board on these issues as a part of the public comment.

The attached materials provide a number of additional reports that the Board's requested:

- An updated status report on the proposed "Fair Share" housing needs allocation and the May 22<sup>nd</sup> Board report on the impact of the proposed Fair Share Housing Needs Allocation (Attachment 2);
- The August 28, 2001 Board report prepared by the Redevelopment Agency concerning the potential for the County to work with other jurisdictions to jointly develop employee housing programs (Attachment 3);

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- A follow up report on farm worker housing issues associated with the Farm Worker Health and Housing Survey and Needs Assessment (Attachment 4); and
- An update on the status of land use, housing and water resource issues associated with a recently adopted Watsonville City water policy pertaining to portions of the unincorporated County (Attachment 5).

In preparation for this workshop, Chairman Tony Campos wrote a letter to the Mayors of the four jurisdictions and the Housing Authority and indicated that the Board would like to receive in today's packet any materials that would be helpful to the discussion of the housing issues. Thus far, we have received reports from Housing Authority (Attachment 6), the City of Scotts Valley (Attachment 7), the City of Capitola (Attachment 8) and the City of Watsonville (Attachment 9). We have also attached the report prepared by County staff which provides for an Overview of County Housing Activities (Attachment 10). This report was submitted to your Board last Spring and, in accordance with your Board's direction, was transmitted to the four jurisdictions in the County. Finally, the Housing Advisory Commission has also submitted information about their role in addressing housing issues (Attachment 11).

The Affordable Housing Workshop will present an overview of housing issues in our community. Your Board will also receive input from other jurisdictions and the public at large. In addition, your Board will have an opportunity to formulate strategies for future consideration.

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that your Board take the following actions:

- 1. Hold a workshop on Affordable Housing;
- 2, Accept and file this report and the attachments hereto; and
- Direct staff to prepare an action pian in accordance with the direction provided by your Board.

Very truly yours,

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