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REDDING PLANNING COMMISSION
Special Meeting, 3 p.m.
 Tuesday, October 10, 2006
 City Council Chambers
 777 Cypress Avenue
 Redding, California 96001

MINUTES

Chairman Bert Meyer called the meeting to order at 3 p.m., with Commissioners Jim Chapin, Michele Goedert, Randall Smith, and Chris Young present. Absent were Commissioners Gary Brickwood and Randy Memeo. Also present were Development Services Director Jim Hamilton, Land Development Manager Gary Otremba, Senior Planner Kent Manuel, and Executive Assistant II Anita Felion.

PLANNING COMMISSION FIELD TRIP - 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

1. Cobblestone Office Park — Hartnell Avenue
2. Lowe's — Churn Creek Road/Alfreda Way
3. The Villages at Shasta View Gardens — Shasta View Drive/Tarmac Road
4. Mercy Oaks — College View Drive
5. Lassen Vista Subdivision — Hope Lane
6. Vista Ridge II — Tanglewood Drive/Buckthorn Drive
7. Assisted Living — Hilltop Drive/Peppertree Lane
8. Bel Air Estates — Quartz Hill Road
9. Sunset Avenues — Eureka Way/Buenaventura Boulevard
10. Henry Avenue Subdivision — West Street/Henry Avenue
11. Francis Court — West Street/Linden Avenue

The Planning Commissioners and staff visited the sites of new and recently developed projects in the City of Redding. They reconvened at the City Council Chambers at 5:18 p.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Beth Norby thanked the Commissioners for allowing her to participate in the field trip. She discussed the lack of pedestrian access on Buenaventura Boulevard and Eureka Way. Ms. Norby mentioned the increase in traffic and asked if the City had long-term plans regarding pedestrian access and lighting in that area.

Chairman Bert Meyer indicated that Ms. Norby could request funding from the City Council and noted that the Parkview Neighborhood had succeeded in securing redevelopment funds for construction of sidewalks.

Land Development Manager Gary Otremba noted that Buenaventura Boulevard had a trail that was part of the trail system in the Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan. He continued that the City planned to have a trail on Buenaventura Boulevard that would connect to Eureka Way, Placer Street, and the Blue Gravel Trail. Regarding subdivisions in the area that did not have sidewalks, he stated that Ms. Norby could petition for funding to construct them, but currently the monies were being spent on sidewalks that were in dire need of repair.

Ms. Norby asked what she could do as a citizen to help get the sidewalks installed.

Development Services Director Jim Hamilton advised Ms. Norby that the City conducted annual priority-setting workshops and that she was welcome to request that this item be considered a priority. He also mentioned that neighborhoods could band together to form assessment districts. Mr. Hamilton reiterated that funds were currently being spent to bring existing facilities into compliance.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, Chairman Bert Meyer adjourned the meeting at 5:26 p.m.

Jim Hamilton, AICP
Acting Secretary

Bert Meyer
Chairman