

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Economic Development Agency

SUBMITTAL DATE:
March 23, 2009

SUBJECT: Public Hearing on the 2009-2014 Five-Year Consolidated Plan for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors

1. Conduct a public hearing for the 2009-2014 Five-Year Consolidated Plan;
2. Approve and adopt the 2009-2014 Five Year Consolidated Plan; and
3. Authorize the Chairman to execute all necessary Consolidated Plan certifications.

BACKGROUND: Pursuant to 24 CFR Part 91, Community Planning and Development (CPD) funded programs, the county is required to prepare and submit to HUD a Five-Year Consolidated Plan in order to receive federal funding over the next five program years (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2014). The specific grant programs are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership Act (HOME), American Dream Down-Payment Assistance Initiative (ADDI), and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG).

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Departmental Concurrence

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Robin Zimpfer
Assistant County Executive Officer/EDA

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	N/A

COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA: No

SOURCE OF FUNDS: HUD-Community Planning and Development Programs Funds	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

BY: *Jennifer L. Sargent*
Jennifer L. Sargent

County Executive Office Signature

- Policy
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- Consent
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Dep't Recomm.:
Per Exec. Ofc.:

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BACKGROUND (CONTINUED):

The objective of the county's Consolidated Plan is to describe and assess community needs, identify resources, establish priorities, and propose activities to be undertaken over the next five years. This is necessary to address some of the critical housing and community development needs faced by communities, residents, and businesses, and other stakeholders, and to satisfy the statutory HUD requirements for the county's (CPD) funded programs.

The Plan is guided by three objectives that are applied according to a community's needs. In detail they are:

- To provide a suitable living environment through safer, more livable neighborhoods, greater incorporation of lower-income residents throughout Riverside County communities, increased housing opportunities, and reinvestment in deteriorating neighborhoods.
- To provide decent housing by increasing the availability of affordable housing for persons of low- and moderate-income, reducing discriminatory barriers, increasing the supply of supportive housing for those with special needs, and transitioning homeless persons and families into housing.
- To expand economic opportunities through more jobs paying self-sufficiency wages, homeownership opportunities, development activities that promote long-term community feasibility, and the empowerment of lower-income persons to achieve self-sufficiency.

Once approved and adopted by the Board, the Consolidated Plan will then be supplemented each year with a One-Year Action Plan that identifies the specific projects and activities to receive CPD funding in that program year. The Board will conduct a public hearing on the 2009-2010 One-Year Action Plan on April 7, 2009.

In order to comply with public noticing and citizen participation requirements in the development of the Consolidated Plan, a draft of the 2009-2014 Consolidated Plan was made available for public review and comment on February 27, 2009, at EDA's offices and on EDA's website. To date, one written comment from a resident of Banning has been received.

Staff recommends approval and adoption of the 2009-2014 Consolidated Plan upon closing of the Public Hearing.

Attachment: Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to *24 CFR Part 91.105(e)(i)*, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside will conduct a public hearing to consider any comments or views of affected citizens, public agencies, and other interested parties on the 2009-2014 Consolidated Plan. Said public hearing is scheduled for March 31, at 9:30a.m. in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, County Administration Center, 4080 Lemon Street, 1st Floor, Riverside, California, to formally receive public comments.

Executive Summary: 24 CFR Part 91.105, Consolidated Submission for Community Planning and Development Program, Final Rule, requires that the County of Riverside prepare a Consolidated Plan in order for the County to receive Federal funds under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME), the American Dream Down Payment Initiative (ADDI), and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) programs. The Consolidated Plan has as its focus the singular goals of consolidating the Community Planning and Development (CPD) planning and application requirements into a single submission. The objectives contained in this planning document are to develop viable communities through public/private partnerships by providing decent affordable housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic development opportunities principally for persons of low- and moderate-income.

Participating Communities: The 2009-2014 Consolidated Plan will cover the unincorporated areas of the County and the following cooperating cities: Banning, Beaumont, Blythe, Canyon Lake, Cathedral City, Desert Hot Springs, Indian Wells, Lake Elsinore, La Quinta, Murrieta, Norco, San Jacinto, and Temecula.

To comply with the Federal requirements in the preparation of the Consolidated Plan, the County of Riverside will hold a 30-day public comment period beginning February 27, 2009. It is anticipated that the Board of Supervisors will adopt the Consolidated Plan at its regular meeting of March 31, 2009. The Consolidated Plan will then be forwarded to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on or about May 15, 2009, for final review and approval.

Citizen Review and Comments: Concerned individuals may view the draft 2009-2014 Consolidated Plan, beginning February 27, 2009, at the following locations: 1325 Spruce Street, Suite 400, Riverside, California 92507. Written comments may be submitted to the above address no later than 4:00 PM on March 30, 2009. The Consolidated plan can also be viewed online at www.rivcoeda.org. Comments may also be sent via email to mmvaldivia@rivcoeda.org.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Melissa Valdivia at (951) 955-8916 or via email at mmvaldivia@rivcoeda.org.

John Thurman, EDA Development Manager-CDBG/ESG Programs

IN WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY.

The structures are separated by 50 feet, which allows for building a new bridge between them. Traffic will be shifted to the new structure while one of the existing bridges is replaced, according to the engineer.

urban showrooms, a sidewalk for pedestrian crossing and adequate number of traffic lanes to accommodate expected future traffic. The project will provide replacement bridges of approximately 1,005 feet in length and reconstruct the 2,600 feet of approach roads to

vide traffic signal and intersection changes, street lighting and other improvements.

The Riverside County Department of Transportation will accept bids through March 25.

Reach Laurie Lucas at 951-368-9559 or llucas@PE.com

Kin of victim 'not against' death penalty

TEMECULA: The Pala man, accused in the mall incident, faces a first-degree murder charge.

BY JEFF HORSEMAN
THE PRESS-ENTERPRISE

The brother of a woman stabbed to death in a Temecula mall parking garage said Wednesday his family is "not against the idea" of the death penalty for her fiancé, the alleged killer.

While not strongly endorsing capital punishment, "We think that's fair if that's what (the district attorney) ends up deciding," said Isaac Amirian, one of Elizabeth "Bipsy" Amirian's three siblings.

"We wouldn't enjoy that. But we know that's how it has to work," he said.

Mickey David Beauchamp Wagstaff, 24, of Pala, was supposed to be arraigned Wednesday at the Southwest Justice Center in French Valley, but Judge Judith Clark postponed the arraignment until March 6.

Wagstaff is facing a first-degree murder charge in Amirian's death. Amirian, of Temecula, was stabbed repeatedly Feb. 12 inside a minivan parked on the third floor of The Promenade mall garage.

A Temecula police officer on routine patrol came upon the minivan. Wagstaff suffered self-inflicted stab wounds and was Tasered when he struggled with police, according to prosecutors. Amirian was pronounced dead at the scene.

Prosecutors said Amirian's feet were bound. In addition, prosecutors allege the murder was committed during a rape and kidnapping, which would make Wagstaff eligible for a death sentence or life without parole if convicted.

District Attorney Rod Pacheco has not decided whether to seek the death penalty, according to John Hall, a district attorney spokesman.

An aspiring singer of spiritual music, Amirian had just recorded a CD. Isaac Amirian said he has heard from people who re-connected with God because of his sister.

"Their life's been changed for the better because of Bipsy," he said. "As terrible as this all was, it turned into a beautiful thing."

Reach Jeff Horsemann at 951-375-3727 or jhorsemann@PE.com

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