

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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**FROM:** Redevelopment Agency

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
January 11, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Mecca Senior Center Project - Adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Directors:

1. Make the following findings:
  - a. That there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment; and
  - b. That the Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the lead agency's independent judgment and analysis.
2. Adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration (State Clearinghouse Number 2011081045) and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Mecca Senior Center Project.

**BACKGROUND:** (Commences on page 2)

*Robert Field*

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Executive Director

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	No
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	2011/12

**COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA:** No

<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> N/A	<b>Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<b>Requires 4/5 Vote</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

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

**County Executive Office Signature**

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY: ANITA C. WILLIS  
DATE: 1-10-12  
Departmental Concurrence

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

**Prev. Agn. Ref.:** 4.1 of 1/10/06, 4.5 of 6/6/06 **District:** 4 **Agenda Number:** 4.2

ATTACHMENTS FILED  
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

**BACKGROUND:**

On January 10, 2006, the Redevelopment Agency approved in concept, the Mecca Downtown Revitalization Plan (Plan) which included preliminary planning for Mecca Senior Center. The Plan identified and defined key components needed to improve the community which included increased access to public services and for the revitalization of the downtown area. Several public service facilities have since been constructed; Mecca Family Service Center and Community Health Clinic, Mecca Community Library and Riverside County Sheriff Office. Other projects defined in the plan are in various stages of development; Mecca Downtown Street Revitalization, Mecca Boys and Girls Club, Mecca Fire Station #40, Brown Street Commercial and Mecca Post Office. The new facilities will further the County's efforts to create a community services core in Mecca Downtown.

The Redevelopment Agency authorized the acquisition and relocation of businesses and residents of 17 parcels in the Mecca Downtown for the purpose of developing a Senior Center. Two of these parcels may be acquired after the environmental review is complete. These parcels represent a ¾ block which is the preferred location for the Mecca Senior Center project. The site further identified as 91196 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue; northeast corner of 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Hammond Road. The site is clear of structures and ready for development.

The environmental review for the development of the 17 parcels acquired for redevelopment purposes has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Based on the Initial Study it is found that there is no significant effect on the environment, with incorporation of the mitigation measures recommended, caused by the project. A Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program have been prepared for adoption by the Board of Directors.

**Attachments:**

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration  
Final Initial Study  
Mitigation Monitoring & Reporting Plan  
Proof of Publication