

THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE

MEMORANDUM

TO: REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD	FROM: HARRY S. MAVROGENES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
SUBJECT:  SEE BELOW	DATE:  MAY 17, 2006

**INFORMATION**

SUBJECT: BUDGET SESSION QUESTIONS/ANSWERS – MAY 15, 2006

At the City's Budget Session on May 15, 2006, a number of questions were posed to Redevelopment Agency staff for response. The attached e:mail provided those responses at 5:15 pm. yesterday. Funding for the equipment for the Hank Lopez Community Center is subject to final legal review.

To ensure public access to all matters being deliberated, the information is being forwarded and made available to the public during the City's May 17 session and on the Agency's web site.

  
HARRY S. MAVROGENES  
Executive Director

Attachment

**Baum, David**

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**From:** Baum, David**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2006 5:15 PM**To:** Gonzales, Ron; LeZotte, Linda; Williams, Forrest; Chavez, Cindy; Reed, Chuck; Campos, Nora; Yeager, Ken; Pyle, Nancy; Cortese, Dave; Chirco, Judy; Nguyen, Madison; Mavrogenes, Harry; Weis, John; White, Les; Doyle, Richard**Subject:** Redevelopment Agency Budget Session Questions/Answers from May 15, 2006

At the budget study session on May 15, 2006, the Board asked several questions which are answered below.

Mayor Gonzales asked for the status of the Tully Center School Hub project referring to A-118 in the Agency's 2006-07 Proposed Capital Budget.

The consortium of the City, Redevelopment Agency, Franklin McKinley School District, and Franklin McKinley Education Foundation is unable to fully fund construction for the hub. This information has been conveyed to the NAC, and they have recommended \$675,000 of SJRA monies be directed to priority #3, to ensure that Nisich Park project has the funding needed to complete the park. The remaining \$211,000 is proposed for upgrades to the Santee modulars, located at 1535 Santee Drive, which will serve as the interim community center and hub. We will seek approval of the \$675,000 reallocation in August as part of the SJRA FY06-07 budget.

Mayor Gonzales asked for an update on the Edenvale Public Improvements found on A-15 in the Agency's 2006-07 Proposed Capital Budget.

Funds are a carry over from FY 2005-06. \$300,000 has been allocated under an Agency Board approved agreement with HMM Inc. for civil engineering services associated with the design of the detention basin and coyote creek trail project in New Edenvale south of Silver Creek Valley Road. The detention basin is a mitigation measure identified in the Edenvale EIR certified by the City Council in June 2000. \$12,650 has been allocated towards a PSM authorizing City Public Works to install groundcover on two medians at Blossom Hill/101. Staff is anticipating receiving Caltrans encroachment permits in the next couple of weeks and expects the planting to commence shortly thereafter. A remaining balance exists of \$27,350 to fund an infrastructure needs analysis for minor street repairs and improvements on Edenvale roads that are in total disrepair since the 2005-06 winter rains.

Board member Campos requested additional detail on the Hank Lopez Community Center Improvement Project budget found on A-108 of the Agency's 2006-07 Proposed Capital Budget and the Gateway East Community Garden, A-111.

The Hank Lopez Community Center consists of the purchase and installation of computers, printers, and tables for the computer lab, a pottery kiln, and a freezer at the Hank Lopez Senior Center. PRNS as the implementing department will bid and award "Minor Construction Agreements" through General Services for the installation of the pottery kiln. The computers and freezer will be purchased and installed using "Open Purchase Orders". The SJRA shall provide funding for the purchase and installation of the materials listed below for this project. PRNS and GS estimate a budget of \$47,500. Design and Construction services will be provided by GS.

The Gateway East Community Garden project consists of the construction of a community garden on

approximately 3/4 acre of CalTrans property located on 31<sup>st</sup> Street between Whitton and the E. San Antonio Street overpass. Project scope includes storage, decomposed granite pathways, new tubular pipe fencing, irrigation and borders for fifty 12 inch raised beds garden plots. On March 23, 2006, Strong Neighborhoods staff met with DPW and PRNS project managers to review project scope and preliminary project costs. DPW provided a preliminary cost estimate of approximately \$422,577. City staff originally planned to review scope and cost estimates at the next Neighborhood Advisory Committee meeting, which would be May 23, 2006, but the meeting was postponed to June 27, 2006. After environmental testing, there is \$184,000 remaining in the budget leaving a \$238,577 gap in funding.

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