



**CITY OF VALLEJO
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

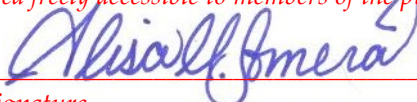
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
(555 SANTA CLARA STREET, SECOND FLOOR)**

5:30 P.M. – Wednesday, January 10, 2007

AGENDA

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I, Alisa Somera, do hereby certify that I caused a true copy of the above notice and agenda to be delivered to each of the members of the Economic Development Commission at the time and manner prescribed by law and posted in an area freely accessible to members of the public on January 5, 2007.



Signature

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Presentations

None
6. Council Liaison's Report

City Councilmember Tom Barte, liaison to the Economic Development Commission, may provide a report during this item.

7. Communications

8. Community Forum

Anyone wishing to address the Commission on any matter not listed on the Agenda, but within the jurisdiction of the Commission to resolve, may state his/her name and address for the record. Individuals representing a group will be allocated 5 minutes for their presentation. Individuals representing themselves will be allocated 3 minutes for their presentation.

9. Consent Calendar

A. Approval of November 8, 2006 Minutes

10. Administrative Items

A. Election of Officers

Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson

B. Discussion on Economic Development Commissioners involvement with marketing, business recruitment and business retention

C. Project Status Report

11. Policy Items

12. Report of the Chairperson and Members of the Commission

13. Adjournment

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
City of Vallejo**

Wednesday, November 8, 2006

1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Economic Development Commission (EDC) was called to order at the City Council Chambers (555 Santa Clara Street) at 5:32 p.m. on Wednesday, November 8, 2006.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Roll Call

Those Commissioners present and absent were as follows:

Present: Commissioners Hall, Cates, Demmon, Thorpe, and Torres

Absent: Commissioners Espiritu and Poole

Staff and elected officials in attendance were:

Annette Taylor, Senior Community Development Analyst
Susan McCue, Economic Development Program Manager
Councilmember Tom Bartee

4. Approval of Agenda for November 8, 2006

On a motion made by Commissioner Thorpe and seconded by Commissioner Demmon, the agenda was unanimously approved.

5. Presentations

Susan McCue, newly hired Economic Development Program Manager gave a brief introduction. Ms McCue previously worked in Martinez and says she is looking forward to working in Vallejo.

Dick Hassell, Vice President of Administration at Touro University gave an overview of Touro's activities. Touro relocated to Mare Island from San Francisco in 1998 and has invested millions of dollars to renovate its facilities. Touro has 27 campuses around the world; Dr. Lander, President of Touro, is a visionary. First class to graduate from Mare Island campus was in 1999. A non-profit institution, Touro currently offers professional and graduate degrees through the College of Osteopathic Medicine, the College of Pharmacy, the College of Health Sciences, and the College of Education. There were approximately 760 students in 2005-06 academic year, with 532 medical students, of which 109 graduated in June 2006. In 2006 Touro graduated more doctors than Stanford University. Touro plans to grow to 2,500 students within the next few years. Touro employs 67 faculty members and 76 staff. The University plans to expand its undergraduate health science curriculum, add a School of Nursing and a business program. The future development in

today's dollars will cost approximately \$92 million. It is estimated that Touro's and its faculty, staff, students and visitors spent \$16.9 million in Solano County in 2005-06. Mr. Hassell gave a brief overview of Touro's University Village – Research and Development Campus proposal for the north end of Mare Island and answered questions from the Commissioners.

6. City Council Liaison's Report

Councilmember Bartee reported that the early transfer on Mare Island must be completed; Council received a letter from Nuggett Market stating that they are not moving forward in Vallejo due to the proposed super Wal-Mart; and Council is considering an inclusionary housing ordinance.

7. Communications

None

8. Community Forum

None

9. Consent Calendar

On a motion made by Commissioner Cates and seconded by Commissioner Thorpe, the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved.

10. Administrative Items

A. Project Status Report

Report was reviewed.

11. Policy Items

None

12. Report of the Chairperson and Members of the Commission

Commissioner Thorpe said he would not be able to attend the December meeting. It was decided by a majority of the Commission to not hold a meeting in December.

Commissioner Torres reported that she attended the 9-day trade mission to the Philippines. The trade mission accomplished what was intended; to get investors into Vallejo in the near future. Meetings were broadcast on radio and published in the newspapers.

Chairperson Hall reported that she attended the City's Ethics training.

13. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.