

## Measure A Oversight Committee Meeting Minutes – July 27, 2007

(Minutes approved on August 31, 2007)

### **Attendance:**

#### Appointed members present:

1. Rich Ambrose
2. Adele Amodeo
3. Ken Ballard
4. Kay Eisenhower
5. Jay Garfinkle, M.D.
6. Phil Hayes
7. Peter Manoleas
8. Neil Marks
9. Larry Platt, M.D.
10. Beth Pollard
11. Don Sheppard
12. Ronald Tauber
13. Sal Tedesco

#### Appointed members absent:

1. Louis Chicoine
2. Brad Cleveland
3. Arthur Geen
4. Ron Silva

#### Other attendees:

1. Suzanne Barba, Observer
2. Supervisor Keith Carson, Alameda County Board of Supervisors, District 3
3. Jennifer Chan, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency
4. Vana Chavez, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency
5. Chris Gray, Alameda County Board of Supervisors, District 1
6. Seth Kaplan, Alameda County Board of Supervisors, District 4
7. Dave Kears, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency
8. Supervisor Alice Lai-Bitker, Alameda County Board of Supervisors, District 3
9. Supervisor Nate Miley, Alameda County Board of Supervisors, District 4
10. Susan Muranishi, Alameda County Administrator
11. Theresa Rude, Alameda County Administrator's Office
12. Supervisor Gail Steele, Alameda County Board of Supervisors, District 2
13. Jesse Taylor, Berkeley Daily Planet

## **II. Review of Minutes**

- Sal Tedesco motioned to adopt the meeting minutes from June 22, 2007; motion seconded by Adele Amodeo.; motion passed

## **III. Review of Materials**

- Jennifer Chan reviewed the materials provided, which included:
  1. The most recently approved Board letters (including amendment to standard agreement with HIV Education and Prevention Project of Alameda County, approval of reallocation of Measure A revenue not specifically designated for the Alameda County Medical Center, authorization of District 4 Measure A funds for the Eden Area Livability Initiative, and approval of standard agreement with Healthy Communities, Inc.);

2. Flow chart illustrating the process by which Board of Supervisors Measure A funds are allocated; and
3. Information regarding the County's loans to the Alameda County Medical Center.

#### **IV. Announcements**

- Kay Eisenhower distributed a flier for a rally for universal health care in support of Senate Bill 840;
- Adele Amodeo announced that there will be a public forum on August 2 from 12-2 at the Fremont Adult School on menu labeling of fast foods; for more information, visit [www.publichealthadvocacy.org](http://www.publichealthadvocacy.org) ;
- Kay Eisenhower informed the Committee of a report released on health care reform by the California Association of Public Hospitals; Kay will send the report to Jennifer to distribute to the Committee;
- Dave Kears announced that First 5 California recently approved the use of \$20 million for expanded health coverage for children and youth; details still need to be worked out.
- Sal Tedesco moved to move agenda item six (joint meeting with Board of Supervisors) up to agenda item five; motion seconded by Ken Ballard; motion passed.

#### **V. Joint Meeting with Board of Supervisors (BOS)**

##### Review of BOS FY 05/06 and 06/07 allocations

- Supervisor Lai-Bitker reviewed her previous funding allocations; she explained that allocations were made based on testimony heard at the Measure A public hearings and proposals received from various community-based organizations;
- Supervisor Miley explained that his Measure A funding allocations are focused on violence and injury prevention with an emphasis on promoting a wholesome quality of life, especially in the unincorporated areas of his district; Supervisor Miley distributed a report on creating livable communities; the Committee requested that Dr. Tony Iton provide a description of the demographics and health disparities related to livable communities in order to provide greater clarity on how Supervisor Miley's allocation meet the provisions of Measure A;
- Supervisor Steele explained that her focus regarding Measure A is on children and mental health in her district;
- A representative from Supervisor Haggerty's office, Chris Gray, explained that Supervisor Haggerty's allocations were used to support health services in the Tri-City and Tri-Valley area where the points of service tend to be fewer (especially compared to north County);
- Supervisor Carson explained that his allocations are granted based on lobbying by various community-based organization at specific points in time; with respect to the Bay Area Consortium for Quality Health Care (BACQHC), Supervisor Carson explained that at the time funds were granted, BAQHC had a good track record for providing services to a population that often goes unreached and that they were in desperate need of funds; Supervisor Carson also explained that he has not spent his Measure A funds as quickly as some of the other Supervisors because he is interested in using his funds to leverage additional funds;

- The Supervisors explained the value in having the Measure A BOS allocations in order to support district equity in providing health services throughout the County; the Supervisors explained that many of the services/work being provided by the BOS allocations would not otherwise be possible without the funds;
- Some Committee members suggested that the Supervisors consider implementing a cap on the Supervisors unallocated funds or set a time period of a set number of years for its spending;
- It was requested that the reporting form be completed by each Supervisor or their respective staff on all FY 05/06 and 06/07 allocations [this and the format for reporting will be reviewed when the current format for reporting is considered (see below)].

#### Role of Oversight Committee

- The Committee sought feedback from the Supervisors regarding the role of the Oversight Committee and whether they (the Supervisors) were amenable to allowing greater flexibility in their role (from one that primarily reviews Measure A expenditures for conformity to the provisions of Measure A);
- Supervisor Miley suggested an advisory role with respect to developing priorities for future expenditures. This seemed to be agreeable to other Supervisors and the Committee;
- Seth Kaplan of Supervisor Miley's office suggested that some members of the Oversight Committee meet with the Supervisors following the release of Measure A reports so that issues of concern can be discussed in greater detail.
- *Kay Eisenhower moved to table the remaining agenda items to the next meeting; motion seconded by Adele Amodeo; motion passed.*

**VI. Finalize FY 06/07 Report Format [tabled per motion]**

**VII. Discussion on Supplantation [tabled per motion]**

**VIII. Review of Written Reports [tabled per motion]**

**IX. Public Comment – none offered.**

**X. Next Meeting: August 31, 2007, 9-11:30am**