

MEETING SUMMARY

Hunters View Community Partners and Hunters View Tenants Association
Meeting with Hunters View Residents
February 17, 2011 - 5:30pm-7:00pm
Hunters View Community Center
125 West Point Road, San Francisco, CA

Tessie Ester welcomed all those in attendance. She stated that we did not have a large audience due to the weather conditions and the amount of dust in the air. She further stated that the HVTA board and Urban Strategies are working well together and encouraging more people to come to the Center. She announced the weekly Jobs Club, at 2pm every Wednesday. She then stated that we all just have to keep telling people to come to the Center to get services and many people are just stuck in their own mode.

Tessie then turned it over to Margaret Campbell of the John Stewart Company. Margaret said that preliminary work had begun on Phase 1 and that it is expected that now that the work has begun in Phase 1 it will continue until Phase 1 is complete.

Question: What about washers and dryers in the units? We were told that if we have a hook up now, we would have the hook up when the new units were built.

Response: Margaret responded that it is not looking good for the hook ups because they are very expensive to do. While it is still being explored, there is no guarantee that the units will have hooks up.

Question: What is the first scope of work?

Response: Dan Levine responded that the following activities will take place in the near future. Initially, there is some site set up, the trailer will be set up and dust monitors will be installed. The first activities will include asbestos, pipe mitigation, sewer back tie work, the fire truck turnaround, site demolition and retaining walls and mass grading. In order for the rest of the work to happen, all of the aforementioned work has to take place.

Question: Will there be a lot of dust in the air in the beginning? Will it be safe for people to be here?

Response: The dust monitors will alert us to any hazards in the air. JSCo is committed to giving weekly updates about the air quality or any other issues. This will be discussed more thoroughly at the weekly HVTA/Urban Strategies meeting.

Question: Will the units have a view?

Response: Margaret responded that some units will have a view, similar to the layout now. There will be 107 units in Phase IA. It has yet to be determined who will live in which units but some public housing units will have views while others will not.

Question: Will the units be stacked on top of each other?

Response: Margaret responded that the buildings are between three and five stories as has always been planned for this development.

Question: Are all of the buildings in Phase 1 rental units?

Response: Margaret responded that the first three buildings are all rental, but other buildings in Phase 1 might be for sale.

Question: Can we get updated site plans with notes on where the public housing units will be and perhaps a model of a unit so we can get clarity on room sizes?

Response: Margaret responded that this is a great idea and that one of the next meetings can focus on that.

Next, Dan Levine from Construction Services of John Stewart Company introduced himself and explained he was working with Cahill-Nibbi. Given that construction has started, he stated he would like to do a walking tour of the site to discuss the air monitors. This tour is set for Thursday at 1:30 and Dan encouraged all residents to attend.

Kelly Dearman, from Urban Strategies presented a report about the recent progress at the Center including the facts that 4 people have been hired, 2 on site, and 2 in construction; one resident is participating in the CityBuild 18 week construction training program, the computer lab is up and running with 4 computers thanks to John Stewart Company, and 4 residents are now participating in SF Conservation Corps. Ed Perkins, one of the participants in SFCC spoke about his participation in the program and how much he is enjoying it. He encouraged other residents to apply. Kelly then encouraged all residents to please come to the center and use the resources.

Tessie adjourned the meeting and thanked everyone for coming; dinner was served.