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Berkeley Global Campus at Richmond Bay Working Group Meeting #7 May 28, 2015, 6:00 PM

#### **Action Items and Summary Notes**

- I. Partner updates
- A. Chancellor's <u>Open Letter</u> in Response to Issues Raised about Community Working Group and Agreements on Benefits to Richmond Community

#### Notes from discussion about the Open Letter

- UC Berkeley (UCB) Assistant Chancellor of Government and Community Relations Chris Treadway distributed an Open Letter to the Richmond Community from UCB Chancellor Dirks.
- The Assistant Chancellor provided updates and clarification about the BGC and UCB's commitment to the Community Working Group (CWG) and the continued commitment to sign legally binding agreements.
  - o In the letter, the Chancellor reaffirms the CWG as the path to reach agreements on the content of any legally binding agreements that are needed to ensure specific benefits related to local hire, local procurement, education, workforce training, and housing.
  - UCB is committed to the success of the CWG, which is intended to be representative.
     CWG members and the community in attendance were asked to recommend new seats of constituencies that are not represented (see below about new seats on the CWG).
  - UCB plans to bring in a third-party facilitator to: support the CWG at their regular meetings and though the ad hoc subcommittee work; plan and facilitate a retreat, host a community meeting to seek feedback on draft recommendations; and support the drafting, revisions, and the final version of the CWG report and recommendations.
  - As stated in April 2014 in the <u>Joint Letter of Commitment to Richmond</u> and reiterated in the May 2015 <u>Open Letter</u> to Richmond, the UCB Chancellor Dirks continues to be committed to signing legally binding agreements that will come from recommendations by the CWG.
  - o The <u>Open Letter</u> reiterates that at the BGC, UCB will employ standard practice and outlines commitments to AFCSME, represented employees, local hire and more.
- Discussion points included the need for more specificity in recommendations for local hire, the trades, non-union employees, housing and other issues to be developed by the CWG.
  - For example, the City is developing housing in-lieu fees that the CWG can recommend to UCB.

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- CWG members resisted a statement circulating in the community that the CWG represents Berkeley and not Richmond. The Assistant Chancellor again invited members to suggest new seats.
- Action Item: CWG will help distribute the <a href="Open Letter">Open Letter</a> and correct misconceptions about the CWG by describing its purpose, process and representativeness.
- ❖ Applications will be posted at the Chancellor's <u>Partnership with Richmond website</u>, and distributed by CWG members, and through the <u>BGC Community Updates email listserve</u>. (Sign up here: chancellor.berkeley.edu/berkeley-global-campus-richmond-bay#update-form)

#### **B. Additional CWG seats**

#### Notes and action items:

- The CWG voted in favor of adding a seat for someone interested in housing and resident displacement.
- The CWG voted unanimously to also add a seat for a neighbor living in close proximity to the site
  of the BGC at Richmond Bay.

### C. AB 1260, City of Richmond

#### Notes from discussion about AB1260

## Background

Richmond City Manager Bill Lindsay explained that AB 1260, sponsored by the City of Richmond, and authored by Assemblymember Tony Thurmond, was created to provide an opportunity for the University to participate in an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EFID) the City would establish to finance infrastructure projects to improve Richmond's South Shore Line. The University would provide fees, in lieu of taxes, for any improvements that would benefit the Berkeley Global Campus, which is located in the City's South Shore Line. Since the bill was first introduced, with the intent above, a number of organizations approached Assemblymember Thurmond and the City to request amendments to the bill that would require the adoption of a number of community benefits that the CWG is currently exploring.

## In response to CWG questions

- Mr. Lindsay also explained that while rating agencies can get concerned about too much debt, these bonds do not impact the City's General Fund.
- Mr. Lindsay UCB also confirmed that UCB had NOT asked City for a 100 million dollar loan, despite what a flyer circulating in the community says.
- Assistant Chancellor Treadway explained that while UCB cannot take a position on a bill (the Office of the UC President speaks for the UC Campus in the Legislature), when the City asked the University to get involved, UCB agreed, under the provision that any

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infrastructure that benefited the BGC would be paid for by the University. Since the bill has been changed to specify specific legally binding agreements the University expects to define in collaboration with CWG at this time, UCOP has expressed concerns that the bill undercuts the CWG process.

 Mr. Lindsay explained that AB 1260 may become a two year bill. This would give the City and ASM Thurmond the option to amend the bill to reflect the agreements that come out of the CWG process.

#### II. Ad-hoc Subcommittee updates

Ad hoc subcommittee meetings are open to the public. More details about the following updates are available on the <u>Partnership with Richmond website</u>.

#### A. Local employment ad hoc subcommittee report

#### **Notes and requests**

- ❖ After one meeting the local employment ad hoc subcommittee is close to having draft recommendations to bring to the CWG. At future meetings this sub committee will continue to consider current recommendations (e.g. from the City of Richmond Resolution); explore what other cities are doing, and the possibility of including North Richmond, San Pablo, Pinole and the broader West County area.
- Implementation, enforcement and monitoring are keep issues for consideration (and funding).
- Meanwhile in the previous discussion on the Chancellors' <u>Open Letter</u> Margaret noted that it was important to note other local unions with an interest in the service and maintenance work at the BGC.
- The <u>update from the local hire subcommittee is here</u>, at the Chancellor's Partnership with Richmond website.

#### B. Procurement ad hoc subcommittee

#### **Notes and requests**

 The committee is benefitted by the participation of the Richmond Chamber, members of the Healthy Richmond HUB's Business Opportunity Work Group, the Haas Institute, the City of Richmond, managers of the UCB and LBNL Supply Chain, and more recently joined by Democracy Collaborative, which focuses on anchor Institution partnerships with social enterprises.

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- The committee has developed a framework for its priority recommendations, including setting a goal for local procurement; supporting strategies to assist local businesses access to capital, supporting strategies to assist local businesses to meet bonding requirements; supporting capacity building for contractors; and accessing and responding to barriers local businesses face.
- Next steps include: The committee will receive support from the UCB Supply Chain Division to re view data about existing businesses in Richmond to compare it against opportunities that will emerge in the BGC Construction and in regular business at UCB and LBNL.
- Procurement committee members have committed to begin joint education and outreach work to ensure local businesses learn how to access the procurement opportunities at UCB and LBNL.

#### C. Education subcommittee

#### **Notes and requests**

- The education subcommittee met in April and will meet again June 9<sup>th</sup>, 4pm (location to be determined).
- With the framework "Pipelines, pathways and partnerships" and the subcommittee wants to consider issues of access, equity and funding.
- UCB, WCCUSD and CCC will continue to help the subcommittee identify impactful work and potential recommendations to scale up or fill in gaps, taking into consideration institutional plans and community input.
- At the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, UC Admissions will attend, present and answer questions. UC education-related partners plan to attend, share with the subcommittee their programs and answer questions including: Carrie Donovan from BUILD; Katherine Reid from the Math for America; and members of the Multiverse education team from the Space Sciences Laboratory.
- Members of The UC Berkeley <u>Coalition for Education & Outreach</u> (<u>CEO</u>) heard a presentation about the BGC WG education subcommittee and some members are interested in getting involved.

#### D. Workforce training ad hoc subcommittee

#### **Notes and requests**

- Following the WFT presentation in April, the ad hoc subcommittee seeks members and will schedule follow up meetings.
- Margaret and Aram will join this subcommittee
- Members intend to align the WFT work with local hire and education.

#### III. Old Business

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## A. Youth Representative

#### Notes and action items

- 25 Applications to date
- Jim, Marcus, Kyra and Mayor Butt's staff member representative Alex Knox will assist in review, identify candidates for CWG consideration. This effort will be staffed by Jen.

#### B. Community Co-Chair

#### **Notes and Action Items**

- ❖ In a motion that was approved unanimously, the CWG agreed a subcommittee will interview the identified candidate to determine if they are a good fit. An ad hoc subcommittee will solicit input from CWG.
- The CWG readily offers gratitude and respect for the work of the other 2 candidates, but neither is a Richmond resident.

#### IV. Old Business (10 minutes)

#### A. <u>Draft Scope for Facilitator/Consultant</u>

#### **Notes and action items**

- ❖ Jim and Diane prepared a draft scope of work for a third-party facilitator/consultant to assist with CWG. Draft objectives include:
  - Ensure that the facilitator creates agendas in collaboration with co-chairs/conveners.
  - o Provide support for ad-hoc groups
  - Develop process for drafting recommendations, presenting to community, and adapting with feedback and delivering to UCB and the Lab.
- UC Berkeley will have to recruit candidates.
- ❖ Kyra will work with Jim and Diane on next steps for CWG input in the process.

#### B. Timeline and June CWG meeting (cancelled)

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❖ With the understanding that the timeline for recommendations is flexible, the CWG unanimously agreed not to have a CWG meeting in June, but will use this time for subcommittee work.