Richmond Bay Campus and Richmond Community Partnership Discussion Meeting #3, April 7, 2014

Draft UCB/LBNL Letter of Commitment Notes

On Monday, April 7, UC Berkeley (UCB) and the Lawrence Berkeley National Lab (LBNL) hosted the third community partnership meeting to discuss elements a draft proposed Statement of Commitment, which, once finalized, will be signed by UC Berkeley Chancellor Nicholas B. Dirks and Lawrence Berkeley National Lab Director Paul Alivisatos.

Community members discussed the Draft Proposed Statement of Commitment. Community comments are recorded below. This document, as well as others from all three community partnership meetings, will be available online here: http://chancellor.berkeley.edu/gcr/local-community/programs-initiatives#RBC.

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Notes and comments cards
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Lines 69-77: Establish Working Group (page 1)
Questions:
- Inclusivity of working group?
- Where does the city stand?
- Are community members included – in what positions?
Recommendations:
- Be inclusionary
- Include labor, education, community organizations, etc.
- Share selection process
- Sharing leadership with Richmond
- Include non-union representatives

General comments
- Can we get people who work there [RBC, in Richmond] to live [in Richmond] too? Survey how to get folks to stay

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- Neighbor from San Pablo: Help low-skill, low-education, incarcerated residents – need more employment training
- UC picks all reps, is that appropriate?
- Should community be involved in picking? Is criteria already established for picking working group members?
- A lot of groups want to be involved but what about neighbors?
- Allocate certain number of members to be represented
- Specify level of input: what can they recommend?
- Have terms – say 2 years, allow more people to participate

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- Nominations for co-chairs?
- Do they drive agenda and recommendations?
- What about community reps (as chairs)?

Lines 78-85: Support Education Goals
- Hope there is k-8 science focus
- STEAM Ed: consider the arts
• Wording is vague – “support” “enhance”  
• What about SCALE – any expansions?  
• Not only is improved education needed, but grants/funding to help prepare for improving education  
• In schools – WAY BEHIND – lack funding, need lift-up of existing possibilities for learning before high school and college  
• Teacher professional development: UCLA Center X – where talk about SEEDS, look at this

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**Lines 86-88: Prepare for college and Career Opportunities**  
**Lines 89-94: Workforce training and Educational Programs**  
**Lines 97-104: Provide Economic Opportunities**  
**Lines 105-110: Economic Opportunity continued)**

• WCCUSD: Bond was passed: PLA voted on excluded non-union groups: we need to work with both  
• Keep PLA out of this: Prevailing wage and Davis Bacon needs.  
• Line 43: CONCERN: no mandatory goals: what is legal basis for prohibition?  
• Local hire is a priority

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• Want state-certified joint labor management programs  
• Line 97: Voluntary word: work on this  
• Will contractors BE REQUIRED to meet voluntary goals? YES  
• Concern: make commitment to prevailing or living wage even if non-union  
• Integrate long-term workers into unions  
• Living wage, health care benefits  
• Workforce development programs: dedicated resources from UC/Lab? Tool-lending library?  
• Ongoing career training and certifications for long-term jobs  
• Revisit what did and didn’t work at UCSF. Will the working group look at this? YES

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• High level staff at RBC; include them in working group: meet with community /active in community  
  o Best way to be Richmond people to be noticed  
• Centralized database  
• Job center created for workers to be giving opportunities

**Line 115-123 Community Partnership Fund**  
• Use to leverage MORE funds to produce scale of impact  
• YEAH!
How was $50K and $25K established?
Annual contribution? YES
When project finishes: $300K will be very little

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This is a seed fund
When private money comes in to build, is this amount a cap?
Fund cap is only UC/LBNL limit –can add other funds to it
Can you add to commitment for private development to add money to fund?
What will money be used for?
The Berkeley model is to grant funds for community groups develop a partnership with a UC entity (student group, campus institute, department, faculty member)
Will this fund cover the other components? How will other components be funded?
When will Partnership begin?
Can it be used for early childhood education?
Next Fiscal year, but timing for distributing money is to be determined.

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“Parking lot” issues: For future review and for others to lead

Preventing displacement is important. What action to be taken to prevent what happened in SF? What does “work with City on SSSP” for housing mean? Should be part of dialogue and planning.
Too many examples of people working here but not living here. Want young professionals to come and stay
Civil involvement
CCISCO/ACCE: community forum to spread the word

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Why “resolution” vs. “letter of commitment”
When is time for you to let us know final language?
Final doc will be sent to community at same time it goes to regents
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Comment cards

Comment Card (1)
Very good program. Well thought out. Thanks for the effort to pull so much together.

Comment Card (2)
CESP environmental community continues to support the project and hiring from the community. However, we are disappointed that the plan continues to ignore our recommendations to protect the sensitive coastal prairie before, during and AFTER construction. Please see CNPS East BAY’s comments and take some of the locations (not necessarily the amount) of your footprint. And Lark Lane must not run straight through the coast prairie. Thank you.

And

Will the future specific plan go through full CEQA and NEDA process? Or will UC claim that not all state laws are applicable (as McDougall stated).

Does US Plan to ONLY do the programmatic EIR?

Comment Card (3)
Very well done. I want to comment or a suggestion in setting a well [illegible] team to check up all programs that are sponsored by the Lab. To make sure that they are working and have been.

Comment Card (4)
re: the Joint Statement
Line 44: DELETE “while legally prohibited from adopting mandatory workforce requirements based on residency”
Line 48: DELETE: “voluntary” we object to voluntary
Line 70-71: add “and LBNL” add: labor, cbos, education, city of Richmond, mayor, assembly member,
Line 97: Delete “voluntary”
Line 101: Delete “voluntary”
Delete “on buildings that will be substantially occupied by UC Berkeley and
Line 92: add CA approved joint labor mgt app programs

Also, there are MOUs with AFSCME 3299, UPT-CWA 919, USW, Teamsters. Can we add language that commits to no sub-contracting of this bargaining unit work?