

**CITY OF SANTA ROSA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AND COMMUNITY MEETING**

AMENDMENT OF THE 2009-2014 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND THE 2011-2012 ACTION PLAN, WHICH ARE REQUIRED FOR RECEIPT OF FEDERAL HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDS TO 1) ALLOW USE OF SUCH FUNDS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES (IN ADDITION TO FIVE OTHER STATED GOALS) AND 2) IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL FEDERAL FUNDS TO BE USED FOR STATED PURPOSES; AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT TO THE US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT A CDBG SECTION 108 LOAN GUARANTEE APPLICATION FOR SUPPORT OF THE CANNERY PROJECT AT RAILROAD SQUARE.

Notice is hereby given that a **Public Hearing** will be conducted by the City Council on Tuesday, November 1, 2011, at or after 5:00 p.m., in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, 100 Santa Rosa Avenue, Santa Rosa. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to receive public comment and recommendations prior to the City Council acting on:

A. Amendment of policy documents required for federal housing and community development funds, namely the 2009-2014 Consolidated Plan and the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-2012 Action Plan of the Consolidated Plan, that would 1) add a sixth goal to address housing and community development needs between FY 2009 and 2014, which would allow use of federal funds for economic development purposes; and 2) identify two additional federal funding sources that could be utilized to implement the goals: (a) the Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grant program funds, and (b) the Section 108 Loan Guarantee provision of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program; and

B. Authorization to submit a Section 108 Loan Guarantee Application to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to allow use of CDBG funds as security for a loan, as allowed under the Section 108 program to be used to promote economic development at the proposed Cannery mixed-use development project, the first phase of the proposed, multiple-phase New Railroad Square mixed use development project, located in Historic Railroad Square between West Third Street, Santa Rosa Creek, West 6th Street and the railroad tracks.

Beginning on September 30, 2011, the draft amendment to the 2009-2014 Consolidated Plan and the draft amendment to the FY 2011-2012 Action Plan of the Consolidated Plan will be available electronically on the City's website at www.srcity.org/fedgrants. Hard copies will be available at the Department of Economic Development and Housing located in the City Hall Annex at 90 Santa Rosa Avenue; the City Manager's Office located in City Hall, 100 Santa Rosa Avenue, Room 10; and the Sonoma County Public Library, Santa Rosa Central Branch, located at 211 E Street at 4th Street in downtown Santa Rosa. The Draft Section 108 Loan Guarantee Application will be available in the City Manager's Office on October 20, 2011, and on the City Council website as well as the website identified above on October 27, 2011.

Additionally, an informational **Community Meeting** will be held on Monday, October 17, 2011, at 6:30 p.m., at the Finley Community Center (Willow Room), located at 2060 West College Avenue at Stony Point Road. The Community Meeting will give community members an opportunity to learn about and to ask questions and provide comments and

recommendations on the proposed amendments to the Consolidated Plan and the Action Plan. In addition, the community will have an opportunity to learn more about the Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program and the proposed development project.

If you cannot attend the Community Meeting or the Public Hearing, you are encouraged to submit written comments and recommendations prior to the Public Hearing. The public comment period runs from September 30, 2011 through 5:00 p.m. on October 31, 2011, comments and questions may be directed in writing to Frank Kasimov, Department of Economic Development and Housing, 90 Santa Rosa Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404; by e-mail at fkasimov@srcity.org; or by telephone at (707)-543-3465.

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