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## THREE POSITIONS OPEN ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

VALLEJO - The City of Vallejo will be conducting interviews for one at-large position and two neighborhood positions on the City's Community Development Commission.

The Commission's primary duty is to advise the Vallejo City Council on what activities and projects should be funded by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds the City received from the federal government through the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The two neighborhood positions are: Eastern City Target Area, which consists of the Highway Homes/Benicia Road area and the Florida-Hilton neighborhood, near Steffan Manor; and the Country Club Crest Target Area.

Applications for the commission are available at the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, 555 Santa Clara St., Vallejo or by calling 648-4528. The deadline for submitting an application is August 12. Interviews will be held August 17 prior to the regular City Council meeting.

The Commission is made up of 11 members, with five (5) residents of target area neighborhoods, and six (6) at-large members who represent the disabled, the disadvantaged, the elderly, ethnic organizations, or persons with experience in community service.

The five target areas and their representatives are: Central City (Darrell Edwards), South Vallejo (Joedna Bohanon), Vallejo Heights (Kathleen O'Sullivan), Eastern City (vacant), and Country Club Crest (vacant). The current at-large members are Robert Bryant, Daniel Coleman, Deborah Dean, Janie Gonzales, and Robert Noyes.

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During typical commission meetings, public hearings are held that allow members of community, nonprofit and neighborhood groups to ask for CDBG funds or comment on the City's CDBG program. The Commission makes a recommendation to the City Council in terms of which group should receive funding. A new funding cycle will begin after the first of the year.

For more information on the Community Development Commission, contact Guy Ricca at 648-4395 or the City Clerk's Office at 648-4528.