

**CITY COUNCIL  
BOARD OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
POLICE CRIME PREVENTION COMMISSION**

**SPECIAL MEETING/WORKSHOP**

**Special Meeting  
6:30 p.m.**

**September 9, 2013  
Antioch Police Department  
Community Room  
300 L Street**

**On September 9, 2013**, the workshop was called to order by Mayor Harper at 6:44 p.m. City Council members present were Mayor Harper, Mayor Pro Tem Rocha, Council member Tiscareno and Council member Wilson. Council member Agopian had an excused absence.

**Staff present:**

Alan Barton, IS Director  
Mike Bechtholdt, Deputy Public Works Director  
Ron Bernal, Public Works Director/City Engineer  
Allan Cantando, Chief of Police  
Michelle Fitzer, Human Resources/Economic Development Director  
Jim Jakel, City Manager  
Dawn Merchant, Finance Director  
Lynn Tracy Nerland, City Attorney  
Tina Wehrmeister, Community Development Director  
Consultant Stacey McLaughlin of Mountaintop Insight facilitated the workshop.

**Public Comment:**

Karl Dietzel stated that the Council should start spending tax money on public safety and not these “fun get-togethers.”

**1. Preparation for Workshop**

Stacey McLaughlin provided the Council and staff with an introduction to the process of the “Community Café.” She explained that this process has been used for information gathering in several different settings. The purpose this evening is to gather community input on the future of Antioch. Ms. McLaughlin explained the role of the table hosts and discussed with Council the role that they would take at this initial meeting. It was decided that the Council would observe the table activities for this meeting.

## 2. Strategic Planning Process for Community Workshops

At 7:27 pm Mayor Harper welcomed the Board/Commission members and the public in attendance to the first Antioch Community Café. Stacey McLaughlin was introduced.

Roll Call:

City Council Present: Mayor Harper, Mayor Pro Tem Rocha, Council member Tiscareno and Council member Wilson. Council member Agopian had an excused absence.

Board of Administrative Appeals Members Present: Vice Chair Deborah Simpson.

Economic Development Commissioners Present: Vice Chair Keith Archuleta, Richard Asadoorian, Peter Donisanu, Rhoda Parhams, Martha Parsons, and Lamar Thorpe.

Parks and Recreation Commissioners Present: Chair Roy Immekus, Gene Davis, Rodney McClelland, and Brent Thibeaux.

Planning Commissioners Present: Chair Greg Baatrup, Krystal Hinojosa, Kerry Motts, Virginia Sanderson, and Thomas Westerman.

Police Crime Prevention Commissioners Present: Vice Chair Lovece Headd, Richard Augusta, William Cook, Gregory Hayes, and Hansel Ho.

Each of the Boards/Commissions introduced themselves and had a spokesperson share what the Board/Commission's function is.

Stacey McLaughlin provided an overview of the process for all of the participants. The Café began and participants worked on contributing thoughts/suggestions/ideas on the two questions posed.

Feedback of the process was provided as follows:

### Positive

- Engaging/forward thinking
- Non-traditional – very well done
- Opportunity to hear and be heard
- Not just about crime – a healthy discussion about things other than crime

### Improvements

- Distill questions for future cafes to 5 words
- Language issues? Spanish/Filipino/Chinese

The workshop with the Board/Commission members was adjourned at 9:47 pm.

The Council and staff stayed to debrief the process with Ms. McLaughlin. The meeting was fully adjourned at 10:20 pm.