

MEETING DATE:

February 28, 2011

AGENDA ITEM:

**Adoption of a Joint Resolution in Opposition to All
Proposals to Abolish Redevelopment Agencies.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution

Pages

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1 CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2011- R____
2 REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2011- A____

3 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
4 OF CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA AND THE CULVER CITY
5 REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OPPOSING ANY
6 PROPOSALS TO ABOLISH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES IN
7 CALIFORNIA.

8 WHEREAS, redevelopment works to improve existing properties and attract
9 new development throughout Culver City and helps ensure those properties reach their
10 highest and best use, contributing positively to a balanced and prosperous community;
11 and,

12 WHEREAS, redevelopment has been effective in stimulating private
13 reinvestment by eradicating blight, increasing public safety, and creating opportunities for
14 business growth, jobs, and affordable housing; and,

15 WHEREAS, in the City of Culver City, 20% of the Culver City Redevelopment
16 Agency's tax increment revenue is set aside for affordable housing programs that range
17 from homeless services and new construction to rental assistance and rehabilitation of
18 single and multi-family homes; and,

19 WHEREAS, numerous housing, commercial, retail, restaurant, infrastructure
20 and beautification projects in Culver City would not have been completed without the use
21 of tools available to redevelopment agencies; and,

22 WHEREAS, the Culver City Redevelopment Agency has created pedestrian
23 place-making projects that have been thoroughly endorsed by the community and have
24 revitalized underperforming areas of the City; and,

1 WHEREAS, the Culver City Redevelopment Agency is currently involved in
2 the development of a major transit-oriented district that will bring housing, employment, and
3 shopping together to improve regional air quality; and,

4 WHEREAS, as part of his 2011-12 budget proposal, the Governor has
5 supported permanently abolishing California's more than 400 local redevelopment
6 agencies; and,

7 WHEREAS, this proposal will destroy local economic development, including
8 hundreds of thousands of jobs and billions of dollars in local economic activity throughout
9 California; and,

10 WHEREAS, in Culver City, abolishing redevelopment would eliminate the
11 Redevelopment Agency's ability to assist very low, low, and moderate income households,
12 so that residents may live in decent, safe and sanitary housing units; and,

13 WHEREAS, abolishing redevelopment will take away one of the few tools
14 local governments have to combat blight and assist with urban infill development; and,

15 WHEREAS, the elimination of tax increment financing would destroy the
16 Culver City Redevelopment Agency's ability to maintain its financial obligations to the
17 Culver City Unified School District, an obligation that provides over \$1 million each year to
18 the District; and,

19 WHEREAS, according to the State Controller's Office, this proposal will bring
20 very little financial benefit to the State as redevelopment agencies have more than \$87
21 billion in bond and other contractual obligations that legally must be repaid before revenues
22 are available for any other purpose; and

23 WHEREAS, the State Department of Finance's own budget documents
24 indicate there will be zero State savings from shutting down redevelopment; and,
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1 WHEREAS, shutting down redevelopment agencies is a violation of multiple
2 State and Federal constitutional provisions including, but not limited to, the constitutional
3 provisions added by a 61% majority of voters through their overwhelming support of
4 Proposition 22 in the November, 2010 election.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Culver City, and the
6 Culver City Redevelopment Agency Board DO HEREBY JOINTLY RESOLVE as follows:
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8 1. To formally oppose all proposals to abolish redevelopment in
9 California; and,

10 2. Authorize their respective elected officials and staff to communicate
11 this opposition to such proposals to the Governor, the Legislature, business groups,
12 citizens, and all others.

13 APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this ____ day of _____, 2011.
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17 CHRISTOPHER ARMENTA, Mayor
City of Culver City, California

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MICHEÁL O' LEARY, Chair
Culver City Redevelopment Agency

19 ATTEST:

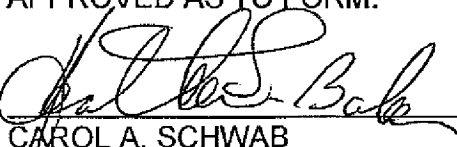
ATTEST:

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21 MARTIN R. COLE
City Clerk

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23 ALICE PRASAD
Agency Secretary

24 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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26 CAROL A. SCHWAB
City Attorney

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28 MURRAY O. KANE
Agency General Counsel

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