

Placer County approves 5-year redevelopment plan

The Placer County Board of Supervisors, sitting as the county redevelopment agency board, on a 5-0 vote approved a five-year implementation plan for the North Lake Tahoe Redevelopment Area.

As required by state law, the Placer County Redevelopment Agency must adopt implementation plans for redevelopment areas every five years. The plan addressed approved last week will be valid into 2016.

The plan includes information on goals, proposed programs, affordable housing, projects and expenditures and explains how the plan will alleviate blight. The board's approval of the plan will give the Agency general direction, but does not authorize any specific projects.

Supervisors directed that RDA staff to return with a more specific list of near- and long-term priorities for the next supervisors' meeting in Tahoe, tentatively scheduled for July 25-26.

The North Lake Tahoe Project Area is 1,731-acres and includes the Tahoe City/Tahoe Gateway, Lake Forest, Kings Beach, Tahoe Vista and Stateline communities. All of the North Lake Tahoe Redevelopment Project Area lies within the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency jurisdiction. The areas include:

- The Tahoe City community, with approximately 693 acres;
- The Tahoe City Gateway area, with approximately 41 acres;
- Lake Forest is between Tahoe City and Carnelian Bay; and
- The Kings Beach and Tahoe Vista communities, which encompass about 995 acres.

The plan attempts to consolidate small and irregular lots, and improve deteriorated properties and public facilities to eliminate blight. With parking limitations in commercial core areas of the North Shore, the plan also is working on increasing parking.

Future and ongoing projects in the redevelopment area that the agency is involved in include:

- BB, LLC Mixed Use Community Enhancement Program (CEP) Kings Beach
- Tahoe City Transit Center Project
- Kings Beach Commercial Core Improvement Project
- Parking Lot Property Acquisition and Construction in Commercial Districts
- Ferrari Resort Kings Beach CEP Project
- Tahoe City Y Improvements
- Lake Forest Water District/Tahoe City PUD Project
- Tahoe Housing Rehab Assistance Program
- Tahoe Vista Recreation Area Improvements
- Commercial Loan Program.