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MEMORANDUM

DATE: **October 12, 2010**

TO: **Redevelopment Board of Directors, Chair, Ben Hueso**

FROM: **Boardmember Donna Frye** Donna Frye
Boardmember Sherri Lighter

SUBJECT: **Request to Docket Today and Send the Governor a Letter of Opposition to the Legislation Waiving the Cap for the Downtown Redevelopment Area**

Pursuant to California Government Code section 54954.2., the Redevelopment Agency Board may discuss or take action on items of business not appearing on the posted agenda under the following conditions:

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the legislative body may take action on items of business not appearing on the posted agenda under any of the conditions stated below. Prior to discussing any item pursuant to this subdivision, the legislative body shall publicly identify the item.

(2) Upon a determination by a two-thirds vote of the members of the legislative body present at the meeting, or, if less than two-thirds of the members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present, that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the local agency subsequent to the agenda being posted as specified in subdivision(a).

The following reasons are presented to address the validity of circumstances giving rise to this request to docket today:

- The action by the State Legislature took place with no notice to the San Diego taxpaying public or this Redevelopment Agency;

- This is a matter of significant public concern that involves billions of dollars in downtown property taxes;

- The Redevelopment Agency previously authorized a blight study and a public process to ensure that all concerns were heard in advance of taking action to lift the cap;

- The public interest demands that the local legislative branch of government, the City Council acting as the Redevelopment Agency, and the public be included in decisions, before, not after the fact;

- To ensure that the public does not lose faith in their local elected officials, this Redevelopment Agency has a responsibility to stand up for the public's right to know, the public's right to participate and the publics' right to be heard;

- The Governor has yet to sign the legislation, and;

- It is in the best interest of the public to take immediate action to request that the Governor not sign this legislation.

CC: Redevelopment Agency Boardmembers