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Power District Building Needs Assessment Report (B)

As the CRA continues to implement the various elements of 2013 Redevelopment Plan, Staff will provide a presentation to the Board regarding the latest draft of the Building Needs Assessment report. The intention of the report is to document and summarize the current conditions of eight existing buildings within the Power District and give general information on the opportunities, challenges, and investments that would be required to repurpose each building. The assessment focuses on approximately 75,000 sq.ft. of existing building area and investigates their potential for renovation as a possible interim phase of redevelopment. Examples of scope items within the report include documentation of environmental conditions such as mold, lead paint, asbestos, and termites as well as the status of various mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems. The report content and format is intended to help prioritize basic building maintenance needs while also serving as a comprehensive technical report to help facilitate private investment in the Power District.

Because of the complex and dynamic conditions of the Power District site, multiple independent yet interrelated tasks are being conducted so to craft a complete redevelopment strategy and budget. These efforts will help identify and prioritize needed investments and resources from the various agency stakeholders participating in the redevelopment of the Power District. Over the coming CRA meetings Staff will be providing the Board with presentations related to the Utility Infrastructure Analysis, Sweetwater Branch Creek Daylighting Feasibility Study, Existing Environmental Conditions, factors influencing the Property Disposal Strategy, programming, marketing, and short-term aesthetic site improvements.

None

CRA Executive Director to CRA Board: Review draft Building Needs Assessment report