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**Alameda County**  
**Supervisor Keith Carson, Fifth District**

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**For Immediate Release**  
**Press Advisory**

**Redistricting and Proposals for Future Development**  
**Prompt Supervisor Carson to Host Community Forum**

**WHEN:** Monday June 6, 2011  
6 PM to 8 PM

**WHERE:** Northbrae Community Church  
1941 The Alameda, Berkeley, CA

**WHAT:** Every ten years after the census data is verified, Alameda County officials are required to redraw their district lines to account for the shifts in population. On Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> Alameda County Supervisor Keith Carson will ask community members to provide comment and input on proposed changes to the county district lines. The public may submit redistricting proposals for consideration, or request to work with County staff in developing proposals. Community members may contact Michael Munk at the Alameda County Community Development Agency at [michael.munk@acgov.org](mailto:michael.munk@acgov.org) ; submissions must be received by June 10<sup>th</sup>. In addition, Dan Marks, Director of Planning and Development for the City of Berkeley, will make a presentation about proposed development changes in the region and specifically in the Priority Development Areas (PDAs) in Berkeley.

**WHY:** Local governments are tasked with redrawing the district lines because of population shifts and changing needs in our communities for basic services like access to housing, schools and health care. Supervisor Carson feels it is paramount that residents get a chance to hear about the changes that are being proposed and provide input on those changes. "Access and transparency are central to the development of sustainable communities that will be not only be functional in the future but also reflect the desires of our residents."

The City of the Berkeley is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest in the County and is represented entirely by Supervisor Carson, who serves the residents of District 5. The City's population has increased by 9.6% between 2000 and 2010, going from 102, 734 to 112,580 according to census data. The overall population in District 5 is 308,094, which is 6,040 people more than the median for the five districts, which may prompt some slight changes to the District 5 border. On or around June 13, the Ad-Hoc Redistricting Committee will advise the full Board of Supervisors and the public regarding the submitted proposals. Work sessions may be held between June 20 and June 30, with a final redistricting plan scheduled to be adopted by the Board of Supervisors on July 12, with the second reading on July 26.

The proposed PDAs in Berkeley will be designed to promote housing density and transit corridors in strategic areas in the city. Dan Marks, who is working closely with Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), will discuss the current stage of the deliberations and will hear comments from the audience.

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*Alameda County Supervisor Keith Carson represents the Fifth District, which includes Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, Piedmont, and parts of Oakland (North Oakland, Rockridge, Grand Lake, Fruitvale, and Dimond District neighborhoods). For more information about District 5 and Supervisor Keith Carson, please call (510) 272-6695 or visit <http://www.keithcarson.org/>*