Pasadena General Plan Speaker Series People, Housing and Density

Wednesday, September 16, 2009, 6:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Community Education Center, 3035 E. Foothill Boulevard

PROGRAM

I. Welcome and Introduction

Bill Trimble, Moderator Planning Division, City of Pasadena

Dowell Myers

Professor in the USC School of Policy, Planning, and Development

William Huang

Housing Director, City of Pasadena

Lisa Padilla

Architect and Urban Designer, Cityworks Design

- II. Conversation Among the Panelists
- III. Questions, Answers, and Comments

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Panelists Bios



Dowell Myers, who lives in Pasadena, is a professor in the USC School of Policy, Planning, and Development. He is director of the Population Dynamics Research Group. He is also is co-director of the new Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration. Dr. Myers leads the ongoing USC California Demographic Futures research project. Well-known as a specialist in demographic trends and their relation to all areas of policy and planning, Professor Myers has been a longstanding advisor to the United States Census Bureau. In March 2007, the Russell Sage Foundation published his newest book, *Immigrants and Boomers: Forging a New Social Contract for the Future of America*, which received the 2007 Thomas and Znaniecki Award from the American Sociological Association for Best Book on Immigration. In spring 2009, his paper "Aging Baby Boomers and the Generational Housing Bubble" (with Sung Ho Ryu) was judged the best article of 2008 in the *Journal of the American Planning Association*.



William Huang serves as Pasadena's first Housing Director. Before coming to Pasadena, he was acting executive director of the Los Angeles County Community Development Commission, with responsibilities for housing and community development, redevelopment, public housing and rental assistance. Previously, he directed efforts in housing development and preservation for the commission. His experience with historic preservation and housing development includes work with both the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the Los Angeles Community Design Center, where he was responsible for all development, planning and architectural projects. Mr. Huang has been a long-time trainer in affordable housing and design and has helped start several leading community development corporations.



Lisa Padilla, a local resident, brings over 20 years of experience in urban design and architecture. Prior to launching Cityworks Design here in Pasadena, she worked with several notable firms, including Zimmer Gunsul Frasca Partnership, where she was Principle and Senior Urban Designer, gaining experience in the design and management of urban, public, commercial, residential, and retail projects. Her contributions on the public side include several urban master plans that integrate transportation options and development sites. She has led major public projects in San Francisco, San Diego, Phoenix and Honolulu. Lisa Padilla works closely with city agencies, elected officials, and local stakeholders to achieve consensus and advance projects that achieve multiple objectives.