



Los Angeles Area
Chamber of Commerce

DON SPIVACK
CHIEF OF OPERATIONS & POLICY
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Don Spivack was appointed as Deputy Chief of Operations and Policy for the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles in October 2006. Prior to his appointment, he acted as Chief Operating Officer (COO) from May 2006 to October 2006.

He was appointed as Deputy Chief of Operations October 2004, after serving as Deputy Administrator for Community Operations I of the Community Redevelopment Agency since February 2000.

Previously he held positions as Deputy Administrator for Community Development for four years; Director of Operations for eight years; Senior Project Manager for the Central Business District for over four years; and Transportation Manager for eight months. In these capacities he has been responsible for overseeing significant development, redevelopment and revitalization activities in and around the Downtown Core, Hollywood, the East Side and portions of the San Fernando Valley.

Key projects have included the development of the Ronald Reagan and Junipero Serra State Office Buildings; the renovation and expansion of the Central Library; the development of landmark office buildings; initiation of loft conversions in Downtown's Old Bank District; rehabilitation or replacement of nearly 2,000 single room occupancy residential hotel units as part of the revitalization of the Central City East/Skid Row area of Downtown; development of affordable housing around Los Angeles; and adoption of the Adelante Eastside, Central Industrial, City Center and Westlake Redevelopment Projects.

Currently he oversees the Agency's strategic planning, policy development and professional services units, which include resource development; housing; environmental planning; engineering; public art; real estate appraisal, acquisition and disposition; relocation; graphic information systems; and other professional and technical units of the Agency.

Prior to coming to the Community Redevelopment Agency, Mr. Spivack was Chief of Community Planning of the Montgomery County, Maryland Planning Department for the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission for close to ten years, as well as Transportation Coordinator for one year, where he was responsible for land use planning around several stations of the Washington Metro Rail System, along with local land use, watershed protection and community development activities. He was Director of Physical Planning of Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority for two years and Assistant Professor, Architecture and Planning, Ohio University for three years.