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Memorandum

To: HCDC

From: Tracy Lehto, Program Coordinator

cc: Beth Kaye, Policy, Planning and Communications Manager;
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Date: 12-1-2005

Re: DRAFT Analysis of Impediments – Draft Recommendations

Draft Recommendations

Currently the final step of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing, developing recommendations to address impediments, is underway. The DRAFT set of recommendations is attached to this memo in two formats, sorted by recommendations and sorted by impediments.

Prioritization Process

The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Advisory and Technical Committee is currently working to prioritize recommendations to determine whether some or all should be included in the final set of recommendations. These prioritized recommendations will be posted on the BHCD web site on December 16, 2005. The prioritization guidelines they will use is:

High Priority Recommendations are those that satisfy most of these criteria:

- Most effectively addresses the impediment
- Will impact a large number of people
- Addresses a large need
- High cost effectiveness over time
- Highly achievable

Medium Priority Recommendations are those that satisfy most of these criteria:

- Moderately effective at addressing the impediment
- Will impact a moderate number of people
- Addresses a moderate need
- Moderate cost effectiveness over time
- Moderately achievable

Low Priority Recommendations are those that satisfy most of these criteria:

- Limited effectiveness in addressing the impediment
- Will impact a limited number of people
- Address a limited need
- Limited cost effectiveness over time
- Difficult or unlikely to be achieved

The public has been invited to review the draft recommendations and submit comments by email to tlehto@ci.portland.or.us or by letter to the Bureau of Housing and Community Development, 421 SW 6th Ave., Room 1100, Portland, OR 97204, attention Tracy Lehto. *All comments must be received by 5 pm, December 21, 2005.*

We will also be holding a public hearing at the December 7, 2005 HCDC meeting to accept feedback about the recommendations.

Key Issues

We face several challenges in prioritizing recommendations. First, we have some concern about including recommendations that will be difficult to achieve because failure to achieve them could impact our funding. Second, some of the recommendations, including landlord licensing and eliminating no cause eviction are expected to meet significant opposition from the landlords.

Next Steps

Staff will request approval of the complete Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing report including the final set of recommendations at the January 2006 HCDC meeting and then submit the approved document to HUD.