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TO: Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager

DATE: May 19, 2008

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The purpose of this LTC is to provide the Mayor and City Commission with information relating to appointments to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC). As you are aware, the State of Florida now requires all jurisdictions that receive State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program funds to create this committee. All eleven (11) appointments to the Committee must be made by June 30, 2008 via resolution, or the jurisdiction will not be eligible for funding. The City receives approximately \$500,000 in funding from the SHIP program, which derives funds from set-aside allocations from documentary stamp levies on real estate transactions.

The AHAC is required to review established policies and procedures, ordinances, land development regulations and the adopted local government comprehensive plan, and recommend specific actions or initiatives to encourage or facilitate affordable housing development, while protecting the ability of the property to appreciate in value. Initially, the AHAC must provide a report to the City Commission by December 31, 2008. Thereafter, a triennial review of policies, procedures, etc., must be performed.

The AHAC must be comprised of 11 members who satisfy the very specific categories listed below. As you are aware, during approval of the ordinance creating the AHAC, the Commission approved the ability for members of the Community Development Advisory Committee, Loan Review Committee, Miami Beach Housing Authority and the City's Planning Board to also serve on the AHAC (note: at least one member of the AHAC must be a member of the Planning Board). The following information is provided to assist you in identifying any individual(s) that may be interested in serving in this committee.

In light of the deadline to make the necessary appointments, Staff has also begun identifying persons that may meet the criteria and be interested in serving. Names of persons that meet the criteria and may be interested in appointment will be provided to the Commission under separate cover.

Membership Criteria - AHAC

1. One citizen who is actively engaged in the residential home building industry in connection with affordable housing
2. One citizen who is actively engaged in the banking or mortgage banking industry in connection with affordable housing
3. One citizen who is a representative of those areas of labor actively engaged in home building in connection with affordable housing
4. One citizen who is actively engaged as an advocate for low-income persons in connection with affordable housing
5. One citizen who is actively engaged as a for-profit provider of affordable housing

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6. One citizen who is actively engaged as a not-for-profit provider of affordable housing
7. One citizen who is actively engaged as a real estate professional in connection with affordable housing
8. One citizen who actively serves on the local planning agency pursuant to Florida Statute § 163.3174
9. One citizen who resides within the jurisdiction of the local governing body making the appointments
10. One citizen who represents employers within the jurisdiction
11. One (income eligible – earning less than \$50,000) citizen who represents essential services personnel, as defined in the local housing assistance plan:

As always, please feel free to call me should you have any questions.