

Council Meeting of  
March 20, 2007

Honorable Mayor and Members  
of the City Council  
City Hall  
Torrance California

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Members of the Council:

**SUBJECT: City Council consideration of the 2007 PHA Annual Plan for the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program**

**Expenditure: None**

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Community Development Director recommends that the City Council conduct a public hearing, consider any comments received during the hearing and approve the attached 2007 PHA Annual Plan for the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program.

**FUNDING:** Not applicable

**Prior Hearings and Publications**

A legal advertisement was published in the Daily Breeze on February 3, 2007. The proof of publication is included as attachment A.

**BACKGROUND**

The City of Torrance has administered a Section 8 Rental Assistance Program since 1977, allowing it to assist up to 690 low or very low-income senior citizens, disabled persons and families to afford decent, safe and sanitary housing. Over time, the regulations governing the program have changed, with significant changes made during the past few years.

The Public Housing Reform Act of 1998 requires local Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) to undertake a comprehensive planning process that reviews all aspects of their program. The PHA is required to develop a PHA Plan in consultation with the participants of the Section 8 program and provide the broader community an opportunity to review and comment on the plan.

The staff of the Housing Office met with the Residential Advisory Board (RAB) on March 12, 2007 to obtain input on the PHA plan for 2007. The RAB is a requirement for agencies that prepare a PHA Plan. The function of the RAB is to assist the PHA in the development of its Annual Plan. The RAB (Belinda Monteiro, Annette Prideaux, and Eric Schultz) supports approval of the Draft PHA Annual Plan for 2007.

The PHA Plan consists of two documents, both of which are electronically submitted on templates provided by HUD (Housing and Urban Development Department). The first part of the plan is the five year Comprehensive Plan. It describes the mission of the PHA and its long range goals. The second part of the plan includes more specific details about the operation of the program, as well as providing an update on the progress made towards meeting its long-range goals. Only the annual Plan is under consideration in 2007.

### **ANALYSIS**

Attachment B contains the draft PHA Annual Plan for 2007. The plan is similar to those previously submitted, except that they include an update of the progress made by the Housing Office towards meeting its goals. The City of Torrance operates only a tenant based Section 8 program (that is, we do not have any project based assistance). The PHA plan addresses only those matters relating directly to the Section 8 program.

Respectfully Submitted,

JEFFERY W. GIBSON  
Community Development Director

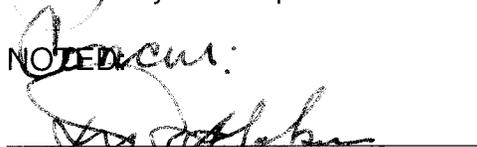
By 

D. R. Richardson  
Housing Administrator

CONCUR:



Jeffery W. Gibson  
Community Development Director

NOTED 

LeRoy J. Jackson  
City Manager

Attachments:

- A. Proof of Publication
- B. 2007 PHA Annual Plan (Limited Distribution)
- C. Mayor's Script (Limited Distribution)

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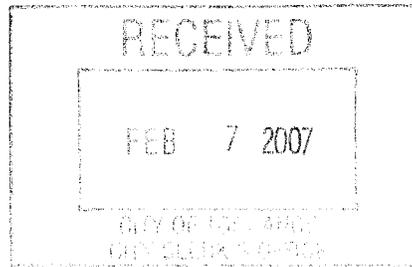
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### DB 2-42 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING (SUPERSEDES PREVIOUS ADVERTISEMENT)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held before the City Council of the City of Torrance at 7:00 P.M., March 20, 2007, in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, California, on the following matter:

The City Council, sitting as the Board of Governors for the Housing Authority, will conduct a Public Hearing on the 2007 Annual Plan for the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program.

Material can be reviewed in the Housing Office. All persons interested in the above matters are requested to be present at the hearing or to submit their comments to the Community Development Department, City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance CA 90503.

If you challenge any of the above matters in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Department or the office of the City Clerk, prior to the public hearing and further, by the terms of City Council Resolution No. 88-19, you may be limited to ninety (90) days in which to commence such legal action pursuant to Section 1094.6 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Community Development Department/Housing Office at (310) 618-5840. If you need a special hearing device to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (310) 618-2870. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting [28 CFR 35.102-35.104 ADA Title III].

For further information, contact the HOUSING OFFICE of the Community Development Department at (310) 618-5840.

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