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Date: January 13, 2010

To: Mayor and Council Members

From: John Limon, Chair, Community Development Commission

Subject: Holly Good Neighbor Program

The Community Development Commission (CDC) met on January 12, 2009 and as an agenda topic discussed the Holly Good Neighbor Program guidelines. Members of the public also spoke about the Program.

After the discussion, the CDC voted to recommend to the City Council that the Holly Good Neighbor Program guidelines be modified to raise the amount of the grant funding from \$5,000 to \$10,000. The CDC clarified that all other program guidelines, such as liens to secure income eligibility for amounts from \$10,001 to \$30,000, income eligibility, residential tenure, and the inheritance policy are upheld.

The CDC feels that the current \$5,000 dollar grant limit is too small an amount for the grant considering the age and state of some of the homes in the Holly neighborhood. We feel that this modification would serve the Holly neighborhood more effectively and ensure that long-term residents are able to repair and remain in their homes.

Please contact me at 680-0988, or by email at johnnycallelimon@sbcglobal.net, if I can answer any questions or provide additional information.