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**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS
FOR THE ACTION PLAN FY 2005-06**

The Community Development Commission approved the Action Plan FY 2005-06, with the following changes in Housing. **These changes have been added to the Final Action Plan.**

- 1) Reallocate funds and restructure the funding for certain project costs that will allow for \$700,000 from Acquisition and Development to the Rental Housing Development Assistance program.
- 2) Add additional language to the Annual Plan that states that it is our policy to work directly with Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) for HOME Acquisition and Development funds, but not be completely limited in the ability to use them for non-profits or other developers that may not meet the qualifications of a CHDO if the opportunity presents itself. To recognize the City and Community's long-term effort to build CHDO capacity, City will give first and highest priority for CHDOs and Conditionally-Certified CHDOs seeking funds.
- 3) Add language to the Action Plan to provide a minimum of 5 years of affordability, but encourage affordability periods of 20 years.

The Community Development Commission approved the Community Development section of the Action Plan FY 2005-06 with the following strong recommendation for City Council.

Community Development Recommendations for Council

- The CDC strongly recommends the Austin City Council to find replacement funding for English as a Second Language (ESL) either through the general fund, or by analysis of the other public service dollars in the City in a combination that would restore dollars to the program.