

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Economic Development Agency

SUBMITTAL DATE:
June 11, 2008

SUBJECT: Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on the Cathedral Family Apartments

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt the attached Environmental Assessment Report and FONSI for the Cathedral Family Apartments ("Project") based on the findings incorporated in the report and conclude that the Project is not an action which may affect the quality of the environment;
2. Approve the attached Request for Release of Funds; and
3. Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Request for Release of Funds and Environmental Assessment Report to be filed with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

BACKGROUND: The environmental affects of activities carried out with HOME Investment Partnerships Act grant funds must be assessed in accordance with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and the related authorities listed in HUD's implementing regulations at 24 CFR parts 50 and 58. These regulations specify procedures for conducting environmental review, including finding a level of clearance and requesting release of funds.

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 750,000	In Current Year Budget:	YES
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	NO
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	2008/2009

COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA: NO

SOURCE OF FUNDS: HOME Investment Partnerships Act Grant Funds	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE
BY *Jennifer L. Sargent*

Jennifer L. Sargent
County Executive Office Signature

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
 DATE 6/17/08
 MICHELLE CLACK
 Departmental Conference
 Dept't Recomm.: Consent
 Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent

Prev. Agn. Ref.: _____ **District:** 4th **Agenda Number:** _____

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BACKGROUND (continued):

The Economic Development Agency (EDA) has completed applicable review procedures and has evaluated the potential effects of the project on the environment. The attached documentation was prepared pursuant to NEPA and the environmental procedures cited in 24 CFR 58.5 and 58.6, and EDA has found that the proposed Vineyards at Menifee project would not have a significant affect on the environment. Publishing requirements have been met in accordance with 24 CFR 58.43 and 58.45.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

National Community Renaissance, a non-profit housing developer, is proposing to use up to \$750,000 in HOME funds for the development and construction of a 60-unit multi-family housing complex in Cathedral City. The proposed project will consist of 41 two-bedroom and 18 three-bedroom rental units including one three-bedroom manager's unit. The development will serve very low- and low-income households whose incomes are at or below sixty percent (60%) of the Area Median Income for the County of Riverside. A minimum of 11 HOME-assisted units will be set aside. The Project will be built on a 4.55-acre lot situated between Corregidor Drive and Vaquero Road, north of Victoria Drive in Cathedral City.

Other funding sources identified for the development include a \$2,195,017 conventional loan from Washington Mutual; a loan of \$4,006,162 from the Redevelopment Agency of Cathedral City; a deferred loan of \$350,000 from the Affordable Housing Program; tax credit equity contribution of \$7,851,907; and deferred developer's fee of \$354,000. The total cost of development is estimated to be \$15,507,086.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the attached Environmental Assessment and Request for Release of Funds. Staff recommends that the Board approve the attached documents.