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**HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**  
**August 21, 2015**

City Hall Conference Room A, 716 SW Evergreen Avenue, Redmond, Oregon

**Members Present:** Chair Katie McDonald, Vice-Chair Steve Curley, Lori Scharton, Whitney Swander,  
(absent: *Diana Barker, Suzanne Michaels, Joni Powell, Geoff Wall*; 1 vacancy)

**City Staff:** Chelsea Dickens, *Grant Coordinator*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

**Visitors:** Anne Graham, *City Council Liaison*; Greg Blackmore

**Media:** None

**CALL TO ORDER – INTRODUCTIONS**

Chair McDonald called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. without a quorum of members (4 of 8) present.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None.

**LIAISON COMMENTS**

Councilor Graham reported appointment of new Councilor Heather Carlin.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

A. Fair Housing: Review of Responses and Status Update

Ms. Dickens reviewed the methodology used to conduct outreach efforts. Survey questions were crafted to identify impediments and barriers to fair housing for protected classes. Federally protected classes are race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, and national origin. Oregon-protected classes added marital status, source of income, and sexual orientation. There are no locally protected classes. The survey generated 26 responses. She requested committee feedback on the survey results and asked if the City should conduct interviews to gather additional information. A draft report is due to HUD (Housing and Urban Development) by September 15, 2015.

Mr. Blackmore provided a copy of his PowerPoint presentation and an outreach summary of survey comments. He discussed the results of the survey, respondent demographics, data summary, findings, and possible solutions. The initial data did not identify any direct impediments to fair housing choice, but did indicate a few conditions that could contribute to barriers. He shared his findings so far: (1) lack of understanding of Fair Housing laws and resources available (impediment), (2) undersupply of affordable housing (barrier/impediment), (3) limited access to technology (impediment), (4) discrimination in rentals (impediment), (5) language barriers (impediment), (6) limited employment opportunities, education and training opportunities (barrier), (7) wage discrepancies (barrier), and (8) transportation and sidewalks (impediment).

