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January 24, 1980

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Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

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By the City Council  
Office of the City Clerk  
*Referred to*  
*PHCD*  
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SUBJECT: Housing Element Environmental Assessment  
Progress Report (M-343)

SUMMARY

This is an information report regarding the status of the Housing Element environmental assessment. In accordance with the Council's consultant selection procedure, the firm of Jones & Stokes, Inc. were selected to prepare the necessary environmental documents for the Housing Element.

The staff's initial review of the Housing Element has determined that an expanded environmental study will be necessary. The staff has entered into a contract (\$9,000) with the firm of Jones & Stokes, Inc. to perform the expanded study. These funds have been previously budgeted. This is an information report and no Council action is necessary.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On November 13, 1979, the City Council approved the Planning Department's proposed Housing Element consultant selection procedure to prepare the necessary environmental documents and designated Councilperson Anne Rudin to the interview panel. The interview panel selected the Sacramento environmental consulting firm of Jones & Stokes, Inc.

The staff has reviewed the Housing Element Advisory Committee's draft recommendations and determined that the recommendations do not include significant adverse impacts. The staff, therefore, has determined that an EIR is not necessary but an expanded environmental study must be prepared. The environmental consulting firm of Jones & Stokes, Inc. have been retained to prepare the expanded environmental study.

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The environmental assessment by the consultant will provide an independent analysis of potential impacts and include the preparation of an initial study identifying impacts and proposing mitigation measures. The environmental assessment will consequently conclude with the filing of a Negative Declaration on the Housing Element. This process will be in accordance with all State and City environmental laws and procedures.

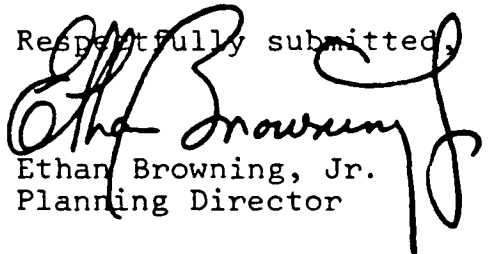
#### FINANCIAL DATA

The Planning Department's budget has up to \$14,000 allocated for the Housing Element EIR. The City has entered into a Consultant Service Agreement (contract) for \$9,000 with the firm of Jones & Stokes, Inc. to prepare the Housing Element's environmental assessment.

#### RECOMMENDATION

This progress report is for the City Council's information and requires no Council action.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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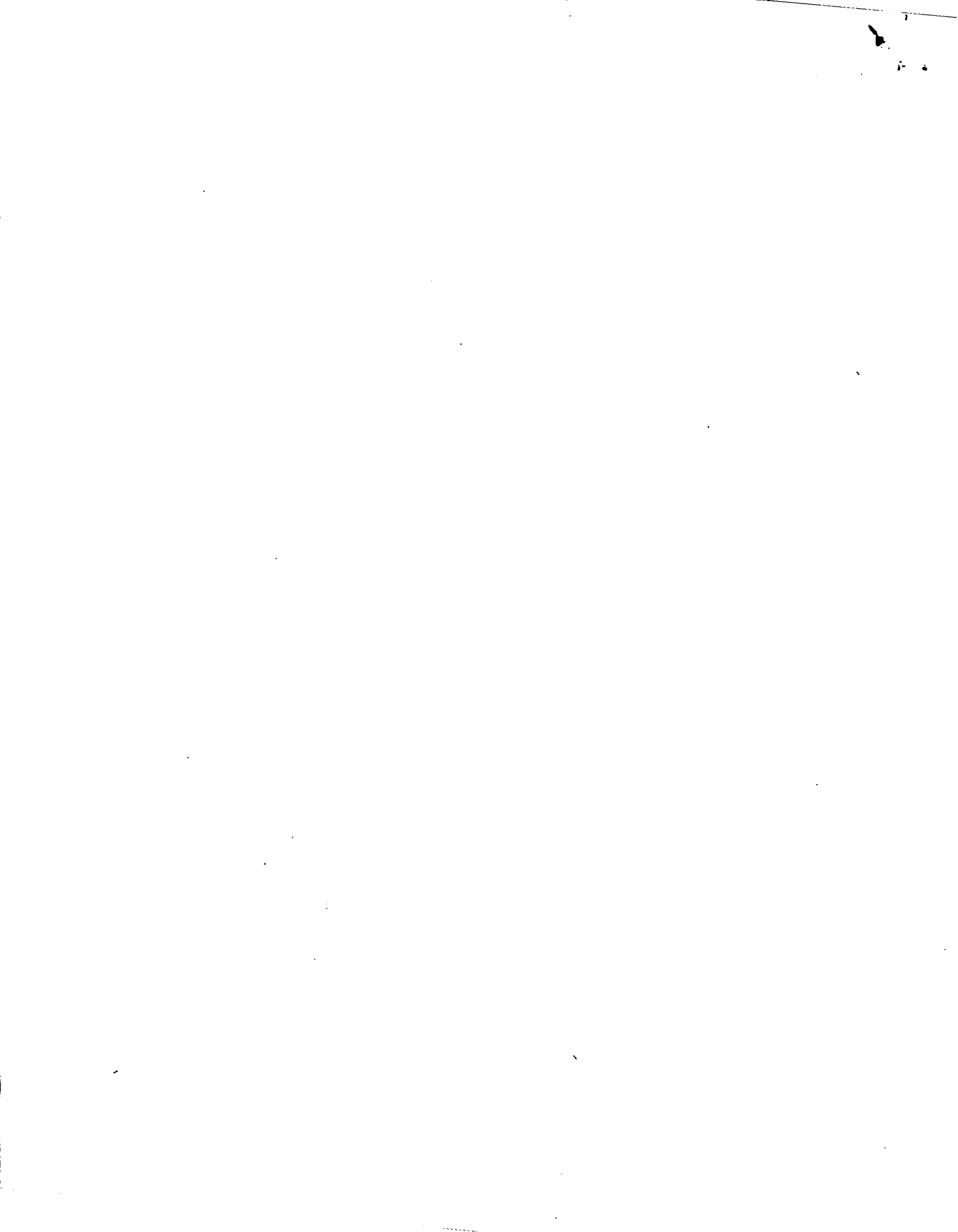
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### MEMORANDUM

TO: PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

FROM: LORRAINE MAGANA, CITY CLERK *JM*

SUBJECT: REFERRAL OF ITEM NO. 25, AGENDA OF JANUARY 29, 1980

DATE: JANUARY 30, 1980

Pursuant to Council action, the following subject matter is referred to your committee for hearing, report and recommendation: Housing Element Environmental Assessment Progress Report.

cc: Planning Director