



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL

**SUBJECT: FAIR HOUSING ASSESSMENT
REPORT**

FROM: Jacky Morales-Ferrand

DATE: June 4, 2021

Approved

Date

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SUPPLEMENTAL

REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL

This supplemental memorandum includes a summary of comments from the Housing and Community Development Commission and the public from the Commission meeting held virtually on May 13, 2021.

ANALYSIS

Commissioners discussed several issues related to the Assessment of Fair Housing Report, including the following:

- Interest in the regional nature of this plan, and possible connection to Plan Bay Area
- Request for more information on the demand for fair housing services, as the lack of sufficient resources in this area is very concerning
- Whether fair housing lawsuits had occurred related to Assessments of Fair Housing plans
- The need to disaggregate Asian American / Pacific Islander data to truly understand the challenges experienced by each population
- Focus group participants' experiences should be identified with a disclaimer that they were self-reported, and that the City had not verified any claims
- Interest in using this important report that discusses racial and socio-economic discrimination in housing.

After giving staff this feedback, Commissioners did not choose to make any formal motions.

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Public Comment

Comments from the public included the need to fight discrimination by enabling lower-income and people of protected classes to live in single-family neighborhoods, and the need for Housing staff to coordinate with Planning staff regarding zoning to enable this to happen.

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