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MEMORANDUM

To: Affordable Housing Committee

From: Margaret Nordstrom, Executive Director

Subject: Committee Meeting Minutes-June 8, 2018

Date: June 19, 2018

An Affordable Housing Committee meeting was held on Friday, June 8, 2018 (2:00pm) at the Highlands office in Chester. Committee Chair Visioli, and Committee Members James and Walton were present.

Staff Members present: Margaret Nordstrom, John Maher, James Humphries, Maryjude Haddock-Weiler, Corey Piasecki, and Annette Tagliareni.

Present via phone: Council Chair Richko

Update on Highlands Council Affordable Housing Activities

Ms. Nordstrom stated that staff met with representatives of the New Jersey Highlands Coalition on February 16, 2018 to address several issues, including the three affordable housing settlements. She also stated that she had attended a conference at which the Highlands Council's role in planning for affordable housing in the Highlands Region was discussed.

Chief Counsel Maher shared with the Committee a confidential memorandum addressing the settlement agreements between three Highlands municipalities and the Fair Share Housing Center in affordable housing declaratory judgment actions. Mr. Maher noted that the first page of the memorandum contained the statement made at the Council's March 15, 2018 meeting regarding the settlements and that the balance of the memorandum was deliberative material and confidential attorney work product.

Messrs. Maher and Humphries gave an overview of the Highlands Council activities and responsibilities in the Highlands Region under the Highlands Act, the RMP, the Fair Housing Act,

and Executive Order 114. They both explained that a Highlands affordable housing transfer program does not currently exist and that no such program would be effective for the reasons stated to the full Council at its meeting on March 15, 2018.

After discussion, the members of the Committee agreed that no further action is required at this time, and that no additional meetings are required unless subsequent developments require one.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20pm.