Interdepartmental ~~Interdepartmental~~ Feedback ~~Affairs~~ Review of Plan Winnipeg. Response from MANITOBA HOUSING/ URBAN AFFAIRS

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In response to Harold Dick's e-mail request of September 17th, three of our planning analysts reviewed the plan and provided their comments. The analysts' comments can be summarized as follows:

- In general, it was found that although the City attempted to recognize many of the issues it is facing over the next few years, the end result was that the document became too vague and generalized. There was no attempt to "tailor" programs/suggestions to meet the specific demographic needs that are anticipated (e.g., aging population, increasing aboriginal population, etc.) It would be more appropriate/relevant if the housing section, for example, was more client-focused.

- Basically, staff observed that the vision statement lacks a specific focus. Statements were not goal-oriented and the performance measures were too broad based, stating the obvious without proposing a specific link to a solution. In the final version, it would be a great improvement if the vision statements were "fleshed out" so they are relevant to the activities and issues that will face the city over the next 20 years and are linked to specific activities or improvements to be pursued as components of the plan.

- Finally, it is recognized that this is only the vision component of the document, and it is anticipated that more specific references will follow the public consultation that is to occur in the near future.

You will note that the planning analysts have been copied on this e-mail. You might wish to contact them directly, if you require further information and/or clarification.

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