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Subject: Opposition to Item #23: Review Of City's Middle Income Housing Program

Although recent reports of dramatic rent increases and homeless people using utility closets for shelter at Elan are troubling, the City Council, City Manager, and Community Development Department need to be laser-focused on preparing a coherent housing element after operating without one for more than 18 months and recently rejecting two carefully crafted drafts prepared by city staff in consultation with HCD.

At this point, a review of the city's Middle Income Housing Program would lack proper context and tie up value resources in what appears to be a politically motivated diversion from the critical housing issues facing Huntington Beach.

Instead:

1) Individual issues with Catalyst and CMFA should be handled by appropriate city personnel and the companies should be warned that the city is keeping a close eye on their performance.

2) The City Council majority should lay out the framework for what it considers to be an acceptable Cycle Six housing element as soon as possible.

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