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SUBJECT: Federal Code Enforcement Program

Recently I have reviewed the Center Hill Code Enforcement project materials and discussed it briefly with Woody Underwood, Comptroller's Department. While I was not unaware of them, I again considered the ineligible costs of providing sub-surface community facilities -- water mains, sewer lines and storm drains. As you recall, the City's action on the project turned on its lack of funds for the last item.

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide you with a few additional thoughts on Center Hill. Through the Basic Sewer and Water Program, the City could now obtain Federal funds to provide the needed sewer lines and water mains for the project area. Also, the Regional Office has indicated once that it anticipated that storm drains would be made an eligible project cost in the 1966 housing amendments to the code enforcement program. At the present time, the Comptroller's Department is preparing bond issue statistics based on our preliminary estimates for Center Hill; this includes the cost of financing the ineligible cost items. If the bond issue is passed on this basis and the storm drains become an eligible project cost, the City would gain an additional \$60,000 in Federal funds and could release an additional \$60,000 in bond issue monies.

Now I think we can initiate two actions to get the Center Hill Project underway. First, it will be most appropriate for the Mayor's Office to contact Congressman Weltner to enlist his assistance and influence in modifying the 1966 housing legislation to make storm drainage work eligible cost items in the Code Enforcement Program; this could be begun by transmitting a copy of this recommendation to Dan Sweat, Director of Intergovernmental Relations, for his reaction. The second action involves coordination with the Water Department and Construction Department to insure that the cost of needed water mains and sewer lines in Center Hill are included in their application under the Basic Sewer & Water Program. I believe the only improvement in their applications related to the Center Hill area is an additional water main along the Bankhead Highway. The best means of accomplishing this action would be to get Dan's support in getting an amendment to the existing City's application to H.U.D.

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In essence, what I am suggesting for you to consider is meeting the needs of Center Hill by influencing the 1966 housing legislation and coordinating the use of another Federal aid program by two other City departments. No small undertaking I agree. However, it can reasonably be accomplished and the City's financial obligation in Center Hill lessened. If you think the ideas have merit, we should probably talk them over with Dan Sweat.

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