

September 26, 2017

To Members of City Council, Mayor Cranley, and Marc VonAllmen,

It is our understanding that in the near future the City will be submitting the Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) program application to the Sate of Ohio. Our Over-the-Rhine Community Council (OTRCC) has discussed the CRA and voted to call on the City to include the following items:

- Incentives for renovation of historic structures equal to the incentives for new-build construction. This will
  promote the preservation of historic structures.
- Prioritization for buildings which include housing affordable to households within the following income ranges and in the following prioritized order (number one being first)
  - 1. Households with incomes at 0% to 30% of the current Area Median Income (AMI).
  - 2. Households with incomes at 31% to 60% of the current AMI.
  - 3. Households with incomes at 60% to 80% of the current AMI.
    - Lack of housing that is affordable within these ranges, with the greatest deficit being the 0% to 30% range, lead to instability within our neighborhoods.
- Incentives for multifamily buildings that people build within the "service sector."
- Incentives for buildings which are owner-occupied and/or in which the owner lives and/or works in the same neighborhood and that keeps rent affordable to households within the ranges prioritized in the list above.
- Incentives for mixed income housing in residential buildings classified as commercial.

Please provide use with a response to our call that these items be included in the CRA application.

Should you have any questions or desires to discuss these items, please feel free to contact us at OTRCCBOT@googlegroups.com.

Sincerely,

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