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Dear Chair and Board,

I support the application in Consent Item 23 - A Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of a Regional Early Action Planning Grant Application to Establish a Regional Housing Trust Fund, a Regional Housing Catalyst Fund and to Conduct Regional Housing and Transportation Planning.

I am requesting this item be pulled to clarify intent.

In a May 24, 2022 direction to staff regarding a funding application for a Local Housing Trust Fund Program, you directed the departments of Health & Human Services and Planning & Building to:

develop a public process for deciding how these funds will be expended. This process ... will include addressing how all committees and commissions including the Housing Trust Fund and Homeless Solutions Committee are involved in allocating these funds.

Looking at the Codes referenced in the proposed *Resolution* I found no references to public process or public input or the Brown Act. There was a reference to Government Code sections with a requirement for "public participation", however I could not say if would it apply to Humboldt and/or what form that would take.

This Item is on the Housing Trust Fund and Homelessness Solutions Committee (HTFHSC)'s January 12th Agenda:

HTFHSC Terminating Resolution: Discussion/creation of sub-committee

When you appointed me to the HTFHSC last May I mentioned open meeting concerns regarding the Continuum of Care group which DHHS staff administers. I did not mention the HTFHSC, as I had only attended a few meetings last year. However, some time ago I had stopped attending HTFHSC meetings when it appeared there was an attempt to appease my requests for open sub-committee meetings without providing for public notice .

My request is for you to clarify that by "public process" you intended open meeting requirements per the Brown Act.

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