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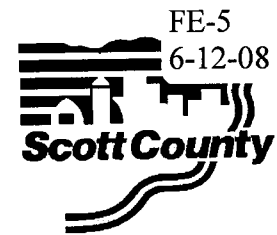
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To: C. Ray Wierson, County Administrator

From: Timothy Huey, Planning Director

Date: June 4, 2004

Re: Presentation of the Scott County Housing Needs Assessment.

The Scott County Housing Council, in conjunction with the Cities of Davenport and Bettendorf and Scott County entered into an agreement with the Graduate Program in Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Iowa August, 2007 for preparation of a Housing Needs Assessment for Scott County. The Housing Council Committee reviewed the six responses received, and interviewed two of those six before choosing the University of Iowa Urban and regional Planning Department to complete the assessment.

The housing needs assessment includes a complete assessment for Scott County as a whole and individual assessments of Davenport and Bettendorf. The assessment includes the demographic breakdown of each community, economic trends, and the type and quality of the housing stock and assesses areas of housing needs. The assessment identifies four major challenges facing Scott County communities and recommends four strategies for addressing those challenges. The assessment will be used by many members of the Quad City Housing Cluster in the preparation of housing grant requests and also by for-profit developers to determine housing types and areas to invest in housing markets.

Dr Heather MacDoanld from the University of Iowa and Rick Schloemer from the Scott County Housing Council will present the conclusions reached on the challenges facing Scott County and the recommendations of the assessment at the June 12 Committee of the Whole meeting.