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Media Release

**Statement on the Attorney General's Lawsuit
Regarding the Sunnyside Crime Free Rental Housing Program**

The City of Sunnyside has just received this lawsuit and is in the process of reviewing it.

The City is disappointed by today's decision by the Attorney General's (AG) Office to file suit alleging concerns with past conduct of the Crime Free Rental Housing (CFRH) program.

The City has held ongoing discussions with the AG's office about its CFRH program since 2017. The City has cooperated with the AG's office and has worked in good faith to understand what concerns, if any, it had about the program.

Despite the City's requests, the AG's office declined to provide the City with any concrete examples of alleged violations of the program. The lawsuit filed today still fails to identify the names of any alleged victims or dates of alleged violations. This has made understanding or resolving any concerns virtually impossible. Now that the lawsuit has been filed, the AG's office will be required to show the City what evidence of alleged wrongdoing it claims to possess but has never shared with the City.

The City is considering all its options and has no further comment at this time.

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