

1 EXT. ALLEYWAY - DAYTIME

1

A Bum lies (mid shot) in alleyway. Littered garbage, dirty walls, etc.

AGENT

(VO)

Ever dream about owning your own property?

The bum, propped up against a wall, drinking away nods his head in agreement and then continues drinking.

Camera pulls out, Agent walks into the frame.

AGENT

I'm Stu Vagrant and I'm in the business of making dreams come true!

The bum watches, and extends his arm out.

INFO BUM

Spare any change?

Agent turns to face Info Bum.

AGENT

You need change? Well how's this?

Cut to small property, under a stair-well.

AGENT

Trade in that wall for this modest, one-bedroom studio. Perfect for a fixed income. And look at the convenience!

Whip pan over to Liquor Store.

Whip pan back to Agent, walking down the alleyway.

AGENT

I've been helping clients like **you** find deals like these for years! With a variety of available listings, we're sure to have the right home for you!

A hand holds up a "Call Now" sign near the bottom of the screen.

AGENT
Looking for a little more room?

Cut to medium of Agent, pull out to reveal him standing under an overpass.

AGENT
Check out this grand villa! Perfect for those who enjoy spacious living.

Cut to Agent standing on rooftop/parking garage top level.

AGENT
Look at the view from this Penthouse condo!

Camera pans over to show expansive view of a trashy urban sprawl.

AGENT
Overlooking scenery like this, jumping will be the last thing on your mind!

Cut back to Agent in the alleyway. He walks back in the opposite direction.

AGENT
So if you're in the market for change, come down and see me, Stu Vagrant,

He stops in front of the bum

AGENT
Making dreams come true since 1999!

He grabs a large cardboard box from offscreen and places it over the bum.

INFO BUM
(muffled)
What just happened?

Agent turns to the camera.

AGENT
What just happened? I just made a dream come true. And **your** dream is next!

CUT TO BLACK

OPENING TITLES

FADE IN.

2 EXT. GARBAGE DUMPSTER - DAY

2

Agent and Chris Doyle approach the dumpster. Agent takes out his lock-picking "key ring" and picks the lock on the gate.

AGENT

Notice the private security system.

As he opens the doors...

AGENT

Here you have your bedroom.

He points to the bin on the right.

AGENT

And your bathroom.

He points to the bin on the left.

AGENT

Or vis versa.

Chris checks out the dumpsters, lifts the lids.

AGENT

The cleaning service comes every Monday so make sure your out of the unit between seven and eight AM.

Chris climbs into one of the dumpsters, looks around.

CHRIS

This is great! It's so much more spacious than it looks from the outside!

AGENT

Exactly. And note the locking wheels.

Chris props his head over the ledge and peers at the wheels. Then he disappears back inside as he explores the interior.

CHRIS

What was the asking price again?

AGENT
Will you be paying in plastic,
aluminum, or glass?

CHRIS
Aluminum.

AGENT
For aluminum cans, it'll be three
bags.

CHRIS
How about two bags of aluminum?

AGENT
That's a little low. This is a
pretty hot property.

CHRIS
OK. How about two bags of aluminum
and one bag of glass bottles?

The Agent thinks it over.

AGENT
I think we have a deal.

They shake hands.

AGENT
Congratulations Mr. Doyle. Welcome
to the neighborhood.

A pedestrian walks in and fligs a bag of trash into Chris's
face.

The Agent closes the doors and walks away as the SOUND of
Chris drumming in the dumpster builds.

3 EXT. CITY - DAY 3

Agent walks to his office for his next appointment.

4 EXT. AGENT'S OFFICE - DAY 4

Agent approaches his office and takes a seat at his desk. He
pulls a picture out of his jacket.

PICTURE: A dumpster in paradise. Palm trees in the
background, a sunny day.

He drifts away to another place calm and peaceful.

His secretary curled up on the ground behind him, chimes in.

SECRETARY
Your ten o'clock's here.

AGENT
Thanks Mitchell.

Mitchell returns to sleeping. Agent continues to walk towards his next customer.

He happens upon her eating an unknown substance.

AGENT
Good morning Ms. Issippi.

With a mouth full, she doesn't respond. Agent smells the food she has been eating.

AGENT
Egg sandwich?

MS.
I really don't know.

AGENT
Very well, let's go take a look at the first property.

Ms. shoves the "sandwich" into her pocket and follows him.

fisting a mayonnaise jar

5 EXT. FIXER UPPER - DAY

5

They approach a corner with a flattened box lying limp on the ground.

AGENT
Now this one's a bit of a fixer upper but the price is right.

A bum tries to sit the box upright, it flops back over. He props it up again.

AGENT
As you can see, we're currently remodeling, including a brand new bathroom!

Agent turns to the bum.

AGENT

How's that bathroom coming along?

The bum slaps down a coffee can in the corner.

BUM

Installed!

MS.

Well... the floorplan is nice, what are the neighbors like?

FROM OFFSCREEN:

MEAN BUM

Hey Vagrant!

Agent tries to ignore him at first but the angry bum approaches.

MEAN BUM

Yeah I'm talkin to you!

Mean Bum continues to hurl insults at Agent. This causes Agent to begin walking away, taking Ms. with him.

AGENT

I think we should move on, this place has gone a tad downhill.

AGENT

(now yelling)

With all the assholes!!

Turning back to Ms. he calms his tone.

AGENT

Alright I have a few more ideas.

They walk off-screen. The box flops back to the ground.

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EXT. WATER-FRONT - DAY

6

They approach the trash laden river banks on the Guadalupe River Trail.

AGENT

Now if you're willing to pay a little more, this is prime water-front property.

She looks around, more interested than before.

MS.

Hmmm.

AGENT

Of course, laundry is included here.
And the sound of running water will
ease your daily hangovers away.

She turns back to him.

MS.

What's the listing price?

AGENT

This location is highly sought
after... six cans of aluminum- but I
can do financing!

MS.

My credit score isn't too great
right now.

AGENT

Not a problem. I have one last
property to look at.

They leave the river banks en route to the last property.

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EXT. BENCH - DAY

7

They approach the last property, a row of benches. Another
bum sits propped up on one of the benches, coughing horribly.

AGENT

This is the last showing I have. Now
I have it on good authority that
this property will go on the market
very soon.

The benched bum continues to hack and cough, he gets worse
and worse.

MS.

About how soon?

They both turn to look at the dying bum.

AGENT

Pretty soon.

MS.
How much do you think it will go
for?

AGENT
Well this is one of the nicest parks
in town. You have plenty of room,
splinter free benches, large shade
trees, and shower facilities...So...

The hacking in the background halts.

The agent turns around, drags the body off of the bench
off-screen.

Ms. replies with a wide grin.

MS.
I'll take it!

They shake hands with the sandwich still in her grip,
smushing the egg filling all over.

CUT TO BLACK