

Ad Hoc Committee on Housing Affordability

Discussion on the Housing Tool Kit and Developing Options for Implementation

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Title

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Recommended Action Committee Recommendation: Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Discuss the Housing Tool Kit and options for implementation. Provide staff with feedback and direction regarding priorities for encouraging affordable housing production.

Report

Issue:

Whether to discuss the Housing Tool Kit and options for implementation, and provide staff guidance.

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Presenter(s):

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Background and Analysis:

Through the Downtown Strategy process staff has developed a "Tool Box" that identifies 50 different tools that may be used to encourage implementation of the Downtown Strategy. A copy of the "Tool Box" is included as an attachment. The majority of these tools are aimed at encouraging development of affordable housing.

Staff will provide an overview of the "Tool Box" and start the discussion with the Committee about which tools to focus on to encourage affordable housing development. Staff has included a link to AWC/MRSC's Homelessness and Housing Toolkit for Cities as well as information from the Home Fund regarding a possible funding measure for additional background information.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

Housing affordability is an issue of community-wide interest.

Options:

1. Provide staff with feedback and direction regarding priorities for encouraging affordable housing production.

2. Wait to provide staff with feedback and direction regarding priorities for encouraging affordable housing production. Indicate to staff what the Committee may further need to move forward.

Financial Impact:

None at this time.

Attachments:

Downtown Strategy Tool Box Home Fund Summary AWC/MRSC's Homeless and Housing Toolkit for Cities