

### Monday, May 20, 2019 | 1:30-4:30 PM

# Seattle City Hall | Norm B Rice Conference Room, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor

# AFFORDABLE MIDDLEINCOME HOUSING ADVISORY COUNCIL

#### **MEETING #4**

**Objectives:** • Review MFTE program and discuss opportunities for its upcoming renewal.

 Continue workgroup discussions of Financing and Investment Strategies and Cost and Regulations Strategies.

**Advance** Attachment A: MFTE 2018 Annual Report

**Materials:** Attachment B: Housing Choices *Draft* Report

Agenda: 1:30-1:35 | Introduction and Overview. Robert Feldstein.

1:35-1:45 | Updates to AMIHAC Workplan, Timeline, Workgroups. Sara Maxana.

<u>Summary</u>: Per the April meeting and subsequent discussions with the Advisory Council cochairs, the Advisory Council will include two standing workgroups (Financing and Investment Strategies Workgroup and Cost and Regulations Strategies Workgroup) that will develop recommendations for the final report in late 2019. The Advisory Council will also convene two ad hoc workgroups (Opportunity Zones Strategies and MFTE Renewal) that will meet one or two times in the coming months to inform City policies that must move forward on faster timeline. See Page 3 of this Agenda for suggested work group assignments.

## 1:45-2:45 | MFTE Renewal.

Advance Materials: See Attachment A: MFTE 2018 Report. Attention to following sections:

- Program 5 is the program that has been in place since program renewal in 2016. A
  brief description is at the bottom of page 2. The full ordinance is available
  here: <a href="https://seattle.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=4076180&GUID=06D52309-8BD0-4227-9DA7-3E25F42D62F3">https://seattle.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=4076180&GUID=06D52309-8BD0-4227-9DA7-3E25F42D62F3</a>
- Production by **Number of Bedrooms**, Page 5-6
- Production by Income Level, Page 8
- Production by Location, Pages 11-13 plus maps in attachments B.1 and B.2
- Program **Tax Impacts**, Page 17-18

<u>Summary</u>: The Office of Housing will present data on the MFTE program and start a conversation with Council members on program renewal this Fall. Discussion questions:

- 1. MFTE program is critical tool to produce affordable moderate-income housing, but also results in both forgone tax revenue and shifted tax burden. How can the City best balance public benefit and cost from the MFTE program?
- 2. How have 2015 program changes impacted participation and production?
- 3. How might we approach adjustments to median income and rents to create predictability for participants?
- 4. What additional data do Council members need to inform the City's renewal proposal?
- 5. Which Council members want to participate on ad hoc workgroup on MFTE renewal?

# 2:45-3:00 | Break

**3:00-4:30 | CONCURRENT WORKGROUPS:** Following the break, Council members will break into two concurrent workgroups for the remainder of the meeting.

<u>Financing and Investment Strategies Work Group</u>. Discussion questions:

- 1. What are the financing shortfalls that exist today in order to be able to achieve affordable rents?
- 2. What are subsidy opportunities—those that exist today and other possibilities that may not exist today?
- 3. What creative financing options that would result in affordable rent? What are the roles for credit enhancement, social impact investment, and other strategies?
- 4. What ownership models could create more opportunity for entry-level ownership to middle-class households? What role should cooperatives and land trusts play?
- 5. Which are we able to affect and how immediate would the impact be?
- 6. What are the strategies the City can prepare for further refinement in June-July?

<u>Cost and Regulations Work Group.</u> See Attachment B: Housing Choices Background Report.

- 1. What are we trying to build (size, typology, price, rental vs. sale, number of units)?
- 2. What are the key drivers of cost for those types of construction?
- 3. How do we affect change in these costs and what will make construction of middle-income housing more affordable?
- 4. What are the strategies the City can prepare for further refinement in June-July?

## 4:30 | Adjourn

Next Meeting | Monday, June 10, 2019, 1:30-4:30 | Norm B. Rice Conference Room, City Hall

#### Workgroup assignments.

<u>Standing workgroups</u>. All Advisory Council members are asked to participate in one of the two standing workgroups. These suggested assignments are based on the April Advisory Council meeting and subsequent discussions. **If you are assigned to one workgroup and wish to participate in the other, please contact staff!** 

<u>Financing and Investment Strategies Workgroup.</u>

Advisory Council Members: Ada Healey, Vulcan

Governor Gary Locke Bruce Brooks, Craft3 Mark Dean, Citibank

David Della, Green Shoots Consulting Greg Gorder, Gaard Development

Gabe Grant, Spectrum Development Solutions

Julie Howe, Urban Evolution

Amy King, Square Peg Construction

Doris Koo, Yesler Community Collaborative

Tony Mestres, Seattle Foundation

Nate Miles, Eli Lilly

Faith Pettis, Pacifica Law Group

Brad Reisinger, LMC

Joe Schocken, Broadmark Capital

Theresa Whitmarsh, WA State Investment Board

Staff Members: Leslie Brinson, Mayor's Office

Julie Dingley, City Budget Office
Jen LeBrecque, Office of Housing

Cost and Regulations Strategies Workgroup.

Advisory Council Members: Larry Brown, State Labor Council

Ezra Teshome, Community Member Maria Barrientos, barrientos RYAN Lisa Bogardus, Seattle Building Trades

Dan Duffus, Blueprint Capital

Aaron Fairchild, Green Canopy Homes Joe Ferguson, Lake Union Partners

John Hempelmann, Cairncross & Hempelmann Paul Purcell, Beacon Development Group

Kathleen (Kat) Sims, Master Builders

Staff Members: Sara Maxana, Mayor's Office

Kiersten Grove, Mayor's Office

Brennon Staley, Office of Planning and Community Development

<u>Ad hoc workgroups</u>. All Advisory Council members are invited to participate in either or both the two ad hoc workgroups. These suggested assignments are based on the April Advisory Council meeting and subsequent discussions. **If you wish to participate in one or both of the ad hoc workgroups, please let staff know!** 

Opportunity Zones Strategies.

Advisory Council Members: David Della, Green Shoots Consulting

Greg Gorder, Gaard Development

John Hempelmann, Cairncross & Hempelmann Doris Koo, Yesler Community Collaborative

Nate Miles, Eli Lilly Brad Reisinger, LMC

Staff Members: Katya Sienkienwicz, Mayor's Office

MFTE Renewal.

Advisory Council Members: TBD at May 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Staff Members: Leslie Brinson, Mayor's Office

Emily Alvarado, Office of Housing