



STAFF REPORT ON PROPOSED LEGISLATION

To: Mayor Gavin Buckley

From: David Jarrell, City Manager

Date: March 2, 2020

Subject: R-19-20: Affordable Housing Task Force

This resolution will establish a task force with three major objectives: 1) assess the current and projected affordability of housing in Annapolis; 2) evaluate programs and initiatives to produce affordable housing; and 3) make policy recommendations regarding affordable housing to the Mayor and City Council.

Members of the task force will be appointed by the Mayor. The proposed membership is very specific as follows:

- 2 members of the Housing and Human Welfare Committee
- 1 member of the Housing and Community Development Committee
- 2 individuals from the Mayor's Office, namely, the African American and Hispanic Liaisons
- 2 individuals from the Annapolis Planning & Zoning Department
- 2 individuals from the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis, namely, 1 individual from the Executive Director's Staff and 1 individual of the Board of Commissioners
- 2 individuals representing Anne Arundel County Government
- 1 individual designated by the 30A State Delegation
- 1 individual from the Annapolis Office of Economic Development
- 3 individuals who are each members of a non-profit organization focused on affordable or fair housing
- 1 individual from the Annapolis Department of Transportation
- 1 individual from the Annapolis Finance Department
- 3 individuals who possess a Maryland State Real Estate License and who each have a

minimum of 5 active years of real estate experience

- 3 individuals from development companies with a concentration in affordable housing, which do not have an interest in current or future development in the City limits
- 4 community leaders residing in the City of Annapolis
- 16 residents from the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis, 2 from each of the Public Housing and Mixed-Income Properties

A task force chair, vice-chair and secretary will be elected from the membership.

Four separate committees will be formed from the task force membership: Policy and Recommendations, Community Engagement, Needs Assessment, and Feasibility. It is anticipated that each committee will have a chair.

The task force will provide, at a minimum, the following deliverables:

1. Definition or definitions of ‘affordable’, as it relates to housing (rental and for-sale), which shall inform future policymaking;
2. A housing study which includes current and projected future housing market conditions, an inventory of existing affordable housing, and a projected inventory of affordable housing through at least 2024;
3. An analysis and evaluation of current policies, programs, and initiatives related to affordable housing production and preservation
4. Recommendations for the creation of new policies, programs, or initiatives and the expansion of existing ones to increase the supply of affordable housing in the City of Annapolis commensurate with current and projected future needs.

The task force is required to present its findings and recommendations to the City Council no later than September 30, 2020. Funding not to exceed \$5,000 will be provided to the task force for professional and technical services.

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