

## MPAC Worksheet

**Agenda Item Title:** Metro's State-Mandated Regional Housing Coordination Strategy

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### **Purpose/Objective**

As part of the Oregon Housing Needs Analysis legislation, the State of Oregon requires that Metro completes a Regional Housing Coordination Strategy (RHCS) by the end of 2025. A project team made of staff from both the Housing and Planning, Development and Research departments will collaborate to produce the RHCS, which will result in a list of actions that Metro will undertake to support housing production, affordability and choice. This RHCS creates several opportunities for alignment within Metro's existing body of work and builds on initiatives already underway to promote housing in greater Portland.

The goal of the RHCS is to create a roadmap for actions Metro will advance to promote housing production, coordination, and equitable access by lifting up emerging best practices, aligning with local production strategies, and addressing critical gaps that can be filled at the regional level. This strategy will coordinate with local housing production strategies and include actions that complement, rather than duplicate, work done by cities and counties.

By statute, the RHCS must include the list of actions Metro will take to promote the following:

- The development and maintenance of diverse housing types that are high-quality, physically accessible and affordable
- Housing with access to economic opportunities, services and amenities
- Strategies, policies, or actions that are coordinated among the local governments within the Metro region
- Actions that affirmatively further fair housing

The draft refined list of actions has been informed by engagement with jurisdictional partners, housing professionals, interested parties, and Metro staff. At this MPAC meeting, the project team will provide updates on engagement events and the evaluation of the draft list of actions.

### **Outcome**

MPAC members will hear about recent engagement efforts and provide feedback on the evaluation criteria and process.

### **What has changed since MPAC last considered this issue/item?**

The project team has completed several engagement events to inform the development of the list of actions and deepen the understanding of barriers to housing production and access, including:

- Focus groups with the Home Building Association and professionals working in housing development and financing
- Feedback survey for members of the Home Building Association and Housing Oregon
- Meetings with the jurisdictional Implementers Work Group to discuss the evaluation criteria and the refined list of actions
- Updates to Metro's Committee on Racial Equity
- Presentations to Washington County Coordinating Committee (WCCC) and Clackamas County Coordinating Committee (C4)
- MTAC meetings to review the evaluation framework and revised list of actions

**What packet material do you plan to include?**

Draft: Refined list of actions