

MPAC Worksheet

Agenda Item Title: Regional Housing Measure Update

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Purpose/Objective

To provide an update on Metro's efforts with partners and the community to develop a draft framework for a potential regional affordable housing measure.

Action Requested/Outcome

No formal MPAC action requested. Staff looks forward to answering MPAC's questions about continuing work on the potential measure framework.

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

MPAC last received a presentation on the potential housing measure on Feb. 14, 2018. Since that time, Metro staff have undertaken a variety of activities to engage partners and the public in developing a potential framework for the measure. These include:

- Holding monthly meetings with a Stakeholder Advisory Table of elected leaders, community advocates and public and private housing practitioners, and a Technical Advisory Table of experts in affordable housing finance, development and operations.
 - The Stakeholder Advisory Table is identifying top values for developing the housing measure framework, while the Technical Advisory Table provides input on technical considerations and feasibility.
 - These committees work in tandem. Conversations at each inform the other. Two members serve as liaisons between the committees.
- Presenting to and hearing input from dozens of local elected leaders, jurisdiction staff and community groups around the region at public meetings and individual briefings
- Selecting five community partners to receive funding for engagement with impacted communities and renters around the region to understand their needs and interests in affordable housing. Staff are also preparing for additional general public engagement over the next month.
- Developing concepts to assess the potential effects of investment mixes (such as affordability levels and unit size). After discussions with the advisory tables, these are currently in refinement.
- Holding two affordable housing tours for Metro Councilors, staff and partners in Multnomah and Washington counties; a third is currently being planned in Clackamas County.
- Conducting additional research and analysis to understand the measure's potential feasibility and effects

Work is proceeding with the goal of informing a recommendation from the Metro Chief Operating Officer to the Metro Council in late May. The Metro Council would then make a decision about whether to refer a measure to the November 2018 ballot.

What packet material do you plan to include?

None.

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