



Memorandum

To: Planning Commission
From: Steve Bennett, Planning Director
Date: September 3, 2020
Re: September 8, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting Agenda Item:
Affordable Housing Presentation and Discussion
Attachments: 1. MRSC Overview of Different Affordable Housing Tools and Funding Mechanisms

At the August meeting, it was decided that this month's meeting would focus on affordable housing measures that could be implemented in the Town Center. With that in mind, Jae Hill, a city planner who has specialized in facilitating affordable housing, will be attending the next Tuesday and giving a presentation on the issue. Jae is currently running his own consulting business, Evermost Consulting. Previously, he was the Long-Range Planning Director at the City of Redmond where he oversaw affordable housing programs including implementing a Multifamily Tax Exemption (MFTE) program, adoption of inclusionary zoning requirements, and working directly with housing providers to finance and build new developments. He recently authored a housing policy assessment for the South King County cities and wrote King County's new cottage housing and accessory dwelling unit regulations.

The attachment is an overview of different affordable housing tools and funding mechanisms available to local governments in Washington State that was created by Municipal Research and Services Center. The current version of this overview can be found at <http://mrsc.org/Home/Explore-Topics/Planning/Specific-Planning-Subjects-Plan-Elements/Affordable-Housing-Ordinances-Flexible-Provisions.aspx>

The LFP Town Center Reference Materials dropbox now has an Affordable Housing Resources folder which can be accessed through the following link:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/npgag2dwr216nl0/AAD3FpdZ4644Px0W-ogRSOAPa?dl=0>