



Albemarle County

Executive Summary

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AGENDA DATE: 12/8/2020

TITLE:

Board of Supervisors - Planning Commission Work Session on Housing Albemarle

SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST: Joint work session to discuss and receive guidance on the draft housing policy.

ITEM TYPE: Regular Information Item

STAFF CONTACT(S): Richardson, Walker, Kamptner, Filardo, Rapp, Pethia

PRESENTER (S): Stacy Pethia

LEGAL REVIEW: Not Required

REVIEWED BY: Jeffrey B. Richardson

BACKGROUND: Albemarle County is committed to creating sustainable communities and safe, decent housing opportunities for our residents. Since 2004, our Comprehensive Plan and Affordable Housing Policy have provided guidance on how we meet that need. However, new residential development in the County has not kept pace with growing housing demand, leaving many County residents struggling to find housing they can afford that meets their needs. To ensure the County continues to provide sufficient and appropriate housing opportunities for current and future residents, the County embarked on an effort to update our housing policy in October 2019. The new policy recommendations provide the tools necessary to meet the diverse housing needs of all County residents regardless of income, race, age, or other special needs.

STRATEGIC PLAN: Infrastructure Investment: Prioritize, plan, and invest in critical infrastructure that responds to past and future changes and improves the capacity to serve community needs.

DISCUSSION: Staff presented the draft housing policy (Attachment A) to the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors on August 11 and October 7, 2020 respectively. This work session will review and discuss the feedback received during those work sessions to determine next steps in the housing policy development process.

BUDGET IMPACT: There is no immediate impact to the budget associated with this item. However, future implementation of some of the policy objectives may require county investment.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board and Planning Commission review and discuss the housing policy feedback received by staff and provide guidance on next steps.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Draft Housing Policy