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Housing Action and Implementation Plan: Housing Stakeholder Workshop #3 Meeting Summary

Subject	City of Pasco – Housing Stakeholder Workshop #2
Date Time	July 13, 2023, 3:30pm – 5:00pm
Location	Council Chambers, Pasco City Hall
Details	Visit project website for presentation materials

Workshop Purpose

The city hosted a third housing stakeholder workshop in July 2023 to provide an update on the Housing Action and Implementation Plan. A presentation was given by representatives from Oneza and Associates, and ECONorthwest, which included elements of the Draft Housing Action and Implementation Plan, and results of the Housing Needs Assessment and the Housing Market Analysis.

Attendance

The following list summarizes the various organizations, agencies, and stakeholders in attendance.

- Tri-County Partners for Habitat for Humanity
- Catholic Charities Central Washington
- Tres Ríos Community Land Trust
- Century 21 Tri-Cities
- Tri-City Association of REALTORS
- Domestic Violence Services of Benton & Franklin Counties
- Big Maple Properties
- Home Builders Association of the Tri-Cities
- Elite Construction and Design
- Benton Franklin Health District
- B4 Development & Consulting

Feedback Summary

The following is intended to summarize the conversations, questions, and discussions that occurred during and after the presentation.

Comments on what the plan/city should continue to address:

- Identify what led to the dramatic increase of housing prices and supply shortage between 2000 2020
- Examine the factors contributing to the disparity between current housing supply and community needs
- Increase height limits in proximity to major transportation hubs, public amenities, and essential infrastructure such as parks, schools, and commercial centers
- Increase height limits for ADUs that are part of garage conversions
- Remove/reduce minimum parking requirements
- Identify incentives for private developers to collaborate with non-profit and low-income housing providers
- Develop comprehensive policies and recommendations that take into consideration the built environment and its effects on public health, encompassing aspects such as mobility, walkability, and overall well-being
- Develop resources and education needed for small and non-traditional developers
- Encourage the use of Community Land Trusts

Conclusion and Next Steps

The consultant team and City staff thanked attendees for their time and participation. Feedback from the workshop will be used to inform future engagement and planning efforts. All inputs will help inform the development of the preliminary draft of the Housing Action and Implementation Plan.

A fourth stakeholder workshop will be scheduled in the fall.

References

See Presentation.