

## Connected Community Enhanced Livability Environmental Sustainability

## **HAP IMPLEMENTATION PLAN - 2023 WORK SUMMARY**

This document provides a summary of Housing Action Plan implementation to date and planned work in 2023.

The Housing Action Plan Implementation Timeframes are defined as:

• Short-term: 1 year (2021-2022)

• Medium Term: 2-3 years (completed by 2024)

• Long-Term: 4-5 years (completed 2026)

## HAP RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: SHORT-TERM

Action #	Action Description	Status
1.2	Add criteria to the Redmond Municipal Code to allow for the consistent and predictable implementation of affordable housing impact fee waivers.	Underway.  Action required: continued work.
1.3	Review IZ and MFTE program regulations in concert with zoning changes to consider options that create deeper affordability and/or more affordable units.	Underway.  Action required: continued work.  Council accepted \$100,000 state grant for this work.
1.4	Promote TOD and infill development integrating affordable housing development.	Underway.  Action required: continue and expand work.
1.5	Consider ways to incentivize increased affordable housing development. (OV and MM Incentives)	Underway.  Action required: continued work.  Council expected to authorize \$75,000 consultant contract for economic analysis in March 2023.
1.6	Review and identify changes to parking regulations around light rail stations and areas of high frequency transit to maximize desired uses like housing at differing affordability levels.	Underway.  Action required: continued work.

2.1	Evaluate payment deferral options for development fees for deeply affordable housing projects and Accessory Dwelling Units	Not yet underway.
		Action required: start work as part of 2023 fee study.
2.3	Consider updating design standards to provide clarity and flexibility to streamline development review and achieve superior design.	Underway.
		Action required: continued work.
3.1	Amend regulations to broaden housing options by promoting middle housing development.	Underway.
		Action required: continued work.
		Council accepted \$120,000 state grant for this work.
		Redmond Staff working with Consultant BDS.
4.3	Provide community education in multiple languages to	Underway.
	make education more accessible to non-English speakers. The educational opportunities proposed for this action may include tenant rights, fair housing laws, and King County Home Repair program.	Action required: continued work.
		Redmond Staff working with Consultant BDS.
		Redmond Staff to invest one-time funds into the three identified topics (and more as determined by staff.)
6.2	Advance partnerships with transit agencies to promote affordable housing development and maximize affordable housing production on publicly owned properties in Transit-Oriented-Development (TOD) areas.	Underway.
		Action required: continued work.
		Redmond staff working with Sound Transit.
6.3	Partner with community-based organizations and individuals most impacted by housing affordability challenges to ensure affected parties have access to and are involved in meaningful public participation in updates to housing policies and regulations.	Underway.
		Action required: continued work.
		Council accepted \$120,000 state grant for this work.
		Redmond Staff working with Consultant BDS.

## **HAP RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: MEDIUM/LONG-TERM**

Action #	Action Description	Status
1.1, 4.1, 5.1	<ul> <li>1.1 Engage with other ARCH cities on potential adoption of new revenue streams, and advocate for additional local revenue options to support affordable housing production and preservation.</li> <li>4.1 Invest in key programs and services in support of equitable access and home preservation.</li> <li>5.1 Increase investments to preserve affordable housing.</li> </ul>	Underway.  Action required: continued work.  Council allocated \$10 million for affordable housing and \$1.8 million for the Housing Trust Fund in 2023-24 budget.  Redmond Staff with A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH).
3.2, 3.3, 3.4	<ul> <li>3.2 Promote ADU development by Removing code and process barriers which may include developing preapproved ADU plans and a new ADU development guidebook.</li> <li>3.3 Review and amend backyard home development code to identify and eliminate barriers to expand this program across neighborhoods.</li> <li>3.4 Remove code barriers to developing a wide range of housing. The regulation updates should address duration of stay, housing affordability, impact and connection fees, parking, open space, and other development standards to ensure equitable</li> </ul>	Underway. Action required: continued work.
	outcomes.	
1.7	Explore programs that promote homeownership opportunities such as working with ARCH to evaluate changes to the existing ARCH Down Payment Assistance Program.	Not yet underway.  Action required: none in 2023.
2.2	Regularly review development review processes to identify opportunities for increased efficiencies.	Underway.  Action required: continued work.
4.2	Evaluate funding for greater fair housing enforcement efforts, in coordination with other cities in the region, to track compliance with fair housing laws and provide technical assistance and education to local landlords and property managers.	Underway.  Action required: continued work.
4.4	Streamline processes for people applying for rental assistance to ensure equitable access. Explore innovative technology solutions to create efficiencies.	Not yet underway.  Action required: none in 2023.
3.5	Advocate for revisions to state law that facilitate and support tools for advancing more home-ownership opportunities. Similarly, revise Redmond regulations to provide regulatory tools that create new opportunities for homeownership.	Not yet underway.  Action required: none in 2023.

4.5	Advocate at state-level for eviction reforms.	Underway.  Action required: continued work.
5.2	Minimize and mitigate displacement of residents consistent with PSRC guidance and identify at-risk properties with low-income residents that could be candidates for future acquisition and preservation.	Underway.  Action required: continued work.
6.1	Reach out to partners and provide help including support to increase the affordable housing development potential on suitable property owned by public agencies, faithbased, and non-profit organizations.	Underway.  Action required: continued work.