



Memorandum

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TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
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TITLE:

Adoption of a Resolution Approving the Allocation of \$1,321,900 to A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH) for the Development of Affordable Housing

- a. Resolution No. 1570: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Redmond, Washington, Authorizing the Duly-Appointed Administering Agency for A Regional Coalition For Housing (ARCH) to Execute All Documents Necessary to Enter Into Agreements for the Funding of Affordable Housing Projects, as Recommended by the ARCH Executive Board, Utilizing Funds from the City's Housing Trust Fund

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution (Attachment A) to authorize the allocation of \$1,321,900 from the Housing Trust Fund to A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH) to finance affordable housing projects in East King County communities per the December 2022 Housing Trust Fund (HTF) Recommendations (Attachment A, Exhibit A). The final WHEREAS statement in the resolution has been modified to include the year of City contribution. ARCH Executive Director, Lindsay Masters, provided information to the Council regarding the coalition's work and the Housing Trust Fund recommendations at the March 7, 2023, Council meeting. An issues matrix has been prepared that responds to Council questions posed during the Planning and Public Works Committee of the Whole Meeting on February 21 (Attachment B).

ARCH was created in 1992 through an interlocal agreement of several city governments and King County to address housing needs in East King County; it currently has 16 member jurisdictions. The ARCH Executive Board reviews funding requests received from non-profit housing providers every fall for projects related to affordable housing. The ARCH Executive Board provides recommendations to member Councils for funding early the following year. These recommendations must be approved by member Councils. This process is conducted annually.

☒ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

☐ **Receive Information** ☐ **Provide Direction** ☒ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
The Comprehensive Plan Housing Element provides a framework for housing goals, policies, and actions to address housing needs that advance the City's vision. Policy HO-4 calls for cooperation with ARCH and others in the funding of affordable housing.
- **Required:**
Per the interlocal agreement between ARCH and the City, Council approval is needed to authorize the allocation of funds to ARCH for affordable housing.
- **Council Request:**
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**
This is an annual process with ARCH and associated member jurisdictions.

OUTCOMES:

After careful deliberation, the ARCH Executive Board concurred with the recommendations of the ARCH Community Advisory Board and recommends funding \$7,645,900 for seven projects. The total request of Redmond is \$1,321,900.

1. Ardea
 - a. Funding Request of Redmond: \$261,200
 - b. Affordable Units: 170
 - c. Located in Kirkland
2. Bellevue Homes
 - a. Funding Request of Redmond: \$111,900
 - b. Affordable Units: 25
 - c. Located in Bellevue
3. Kenmore Supportive Housing
 - a. Funding Request of Redmond: \$611,800
 - b. Affordable Units: 100
 - c. Located in Kenmore
4. Kirkland Heights
 - a. Funding Request of Redmond: \$197,100
 - b. Affordable Units: 276
 - c. Located in Kirkland
5. Scattered Homes
 - a. Funding Request of Redmond: \$74,600
 - b. Affordable Units: 7
 - c. Located in: TBD (Bothell, Kenmore, Woodinville)
6. Spring District 120th Street TOD
 - a. Funding Request of Redmond: \$65,300

- b. Affordable Units: 235
 - c. Located in Bellevue
- 7. Totem Six-Plex
 - a. Funding Request of Redmond: \$0
 - b. Affordable Units: 6
 - c. Located in Kirkland

Detailed descriptions of the projects, funding requests, rationale, and recommended conditions of funding for projects by the ARCH Executive Board are included in Attachment B.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
2022-23
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
ARCH staff met with member cities' planning and human services staff to conduct a preliminary review of applications before forwarding applications to the Community Advisory Board (CAB). The CAB is recruited using public notices, website announcements, and email communications with the help of member cities. The CAB is appointed by the Executive Board.
- **Feedback Summary:**
2022 Award Recommendations are included in Attachment B.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:
\$1,321,900

Approved in current biennial budget: ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Budget Offer Number:
CIP Budget - Citywide Investments

Budget Priority:
Vibrant and Connected

Other budget impacts or additional costs: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A

If yes, explain:
N/A

Funding source(s):
Capital Investment Program (CIP)
Functional Area: General Government - \$1,321,900

Budget/Funding Constraints:
Funds dedicated to providing increased affordable housing choices for a diverse population through contributions to ARCH (A Regional Coalition for Housing).

☐ **Additional budget details attached**

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
2/21/2023	Committee of the Whole - Public Safety and Human Services	Receive Information
3/7/2023	Business Meeting	Receive Information

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
	None proposed at this time	

Time Constraints:

Timely approval of the ARCH Executive Board request for the Housing Trust Fund recommendations will allow for the timely allocation of funds for affordable housing in East King County.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

If not approved, ARCH will not have Redmond funds to contribute to the regional efforts to advance affordable housing projects that meet urgent local priorities.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Resolution - Draft

Exhibit A - ARCH 2022 Award Recommendations Binder

Attachment B - Council Issues Matrix