Redmond City Council Issues Matrix
Housing Action Plan Implementation
March 07, 2023

Issue	Discussion Notes
1. Washington Legislature Bills and Housing. **Councilmember Stuart**	Council Discussion a. What Washington State Legislative bills have already passed the legislature and will impact the City's Housing Action Plan outcomes? Staff Comments a. There are no major bills that impact housing outcomes that have passed both legislative chambers. Staff is monitoring bills related to transit-oriented development, middle housing, tenant protections, affordable housing funding, and more.
2. HAPI updates to inclusionary zoning and multifamily property tax exemption. **Councilmember Stuart**	Council Discussion a. What is the timeline of the Housing Action Plan Implementation grant project to update inclusionary zoning regulations and multifamily property tax exemption program? Staff Comments a. Council will have the opportunity to review staff recommendations related to this work in summer 2023. Grant deliverables are due to Commerce in June 2023.
3. Roadblocks to housing outcomes and Council support. **Councilmember Stuart**	Council Discussion a. Are there any obstacles to achieving the Housing Action Plan action items? b. How can City Council help? Anything they can address? Staff Comments a. No substantive City Council related obstacles. Some of these action items simply take time to implement. Long Range Planning now has a fully staffed team and is pursuing multiple approaches across multiple projects to help meet the City's housing goals.

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	b. The principal way that the City Council can support continued implementation the Housing Action Plan is by reviewing and acting on policy and budget-related implementation actions as staff brings them forward. Inclusionary zoning and MFTE changes are one example.
4. Timelines for items and representation in work summary. **Councilmember Kritzer**	Council Discussion a. What is staff's approach for setting the timeline for items that do not currently have action underway? b. Timeline plans for Action 4.2 "Evaluate funding for greater fair housing enforcement efforts…education to local landlords and property managers". c. Timeline plans for Action Item 4.3 "Provide community education in multiple languages… Action items in the "not yet underway" category have "action required: none in 2023". Staff Comments a. Generally, staff's approach to setting the timeline for items consists of: prioritizing items by implementation timeframes and identifying other City plans or projects which could have synergy with the action item (and coordinating with those plans or projects). b. Action 4.2 is identified as long-term. As such, the goal is to complete this item in or by 2026. Some work has been completed and is on-going for this item. The City of Redmond adopted tenant protections with ordinance 3091 on July 19, 2022. Deputy Director Allen has been actively conducting education and engagement with property management and other stakeholders on the topic of the City's tenant protection program. c. Action 4.3 is identified as long-term. As such, the goal is to complete this item in or by 2026. Some work has been completed and is on-going for this item. Long Range Planning staff have been proactive and mindful with expanding the quality and capacity of translation efforts as part of the Periodic Comprehensive Plan Update (Redmond 2050). The consultants of the on-going Middle Housing grant are also exploring opportunities to improve translation processes to increase equity.
4. Eviction reform and Redmond legislative agenda.	Council Discussion a. Is eviction reform (Action 4.5) on the City's legislative agenda?

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Councilmember Kritzer	Staff Comments a. The entire Housing Action Plan is referenced in the City's legislative agenda. Action 4.5 is therefore included by reference.
5. Addressing affordability and sustainability together. **Councilmember Fields**	Council Discussion a. How are staff addressing affordability and sustainability together as a single problem. Staff Comments a. Housing affordability and sustainability are intertwined. For example: o Housing near transit and jobs is inherently greener because people have access to more goods, services, and opportunities without use of a car. Reducing car reliance also increases the affordability of housing because households can live comfortably with fewer or no cars. o "Green" housing sometimes has an upfront cost premium, but has long-term cost savings (energy efficiency, e.g.)
6. Progress on housing and equity goals. **Councilmember Anderson**	Council Discussion a. Where was the City, where are we now, and where are we going – housing goals? b. Is the City meeting our equity goals?

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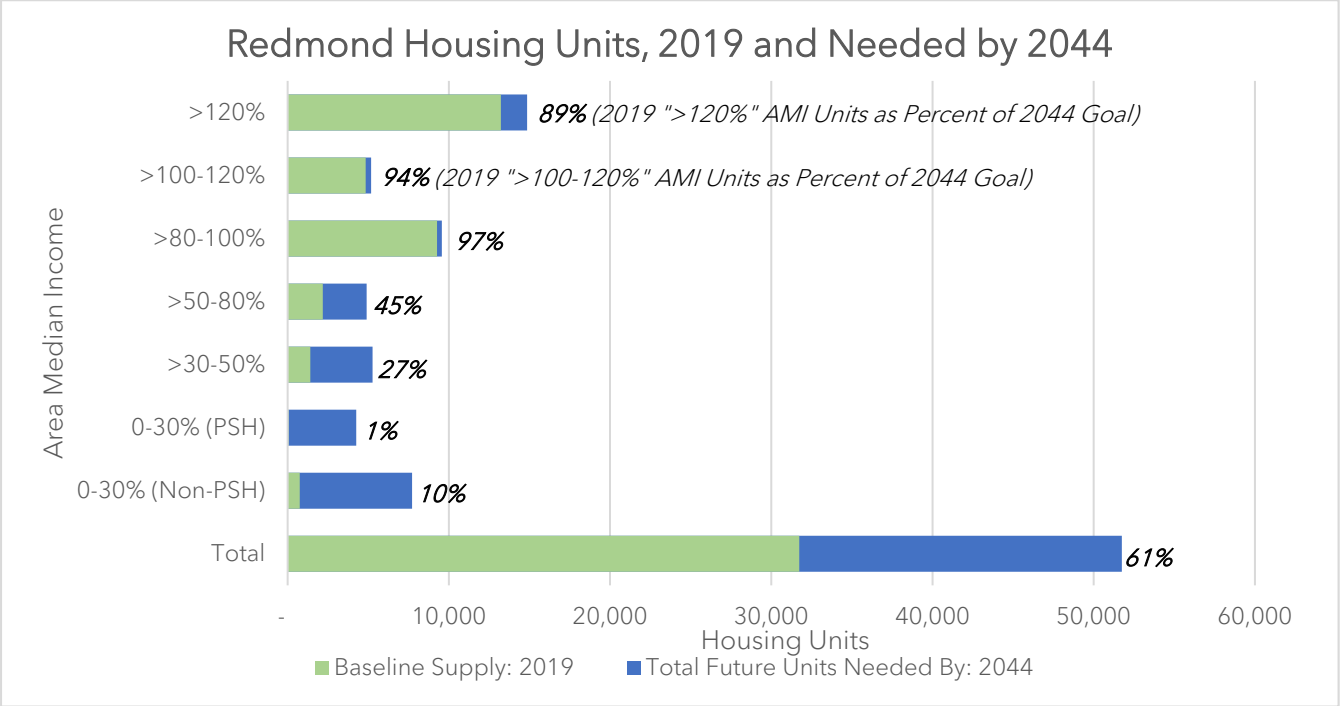
Staff Comments



a.
   - Average housing units produced annually, 2010-2019: 585

b. The Housing Action Plan is broadly a pro-equity plan. Implementing the HAP will make more types of housing available to more households, especially those with less income.