



City Commission Agenda Item

Meeting Date: 5/4/2021

From: Randy Frazer, City Manager

Item: Hold a public hearing regarding the 2021 Housing Assessment Tool (HAT) for the City of Arkansas City.

Purpose:

As part of developing the 2021 Housing Assessment Tool (HAT), the City has offered a variety of opportunities for citizens and stakeholders to provide input of the status of housing within the City and the City's future needs.

This public hearing offers an opportunity for anyone who wishes to address the City Commission about housing and have their comments noted for the record as part of the HAT that will be compiled later this month.

Background:

The City of Arkansas City is working on applying for a Community Development Block Grant for Housing this summer. As part of this process, staff must soon create a report using the Kansas Department of Commerce's Housing Assessment Tool (HAT). The purpose of conducting a housing assessment is to help local communities to identify their strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and priorities before allocating resources to implement strategies or tasks that will address those priorities. It should be participatory and completed locally, and this evolving process should be driven by locals. Part of this process involves reaching out to various stakeholders in housing for their thoughts and needs. If you are unable to attend a public meeting, but would like to offer some input, please fill out the HAT questionnaire at <http://bit.ly/arkcityhat> or email comments to housing@arkcity.org.

Commission Options:

1. Hold a public hearing.

Approved for Agenda by:



Randy Frazer, City Manager