



AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

TO: FRUITA CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR

FROM: PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

DATE: OCTOBER 5, 2021

**RE: A REQUEST TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF A HOUSING
TECHNICAL ADVISORY WORKING GROUP**

BACKGROUND

The Council has directed staff to begin exploring the creation of a down payment assistance program for cost-burdened members of our workforce. As part of that effort, Council sees the value of formally appointing a working group to assist in that effort. Down payment assistance, if implemented correctly, will interact with several private sector partners in mortgage lending, appraisals, development and sales.

This group is set up to capture a vast majority of that representation to ensure the project is vetted correctly. This will be a temporary working group focused solely on the programmatic elements around down payment assistance. It is important to note that this group, in conjunction with staff, will be responsible for making a recommendation to Council. The individuals in this working group and their occupations include:

James Pulsipher – Fidelity Mortgage
JP Nisley – Appraiser, Nisley & Associates
Jesse Mease – Monument Powder Coating
Lori Chesnick – Chesnick Reality
Rebekah Scarrow – Remax 4000
Robert Jones II – Vortex Engineering
Ron Abeloe – Chaparral West
Silas Colman – Copper Creek Builders
Marty Chazen – Retired Finance professional
Karen Troester – US Bank

FISCAL IMPACT

None

APPLICABILITY TO CITY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The City has already taken steps toward goals in the comprehensive plan to address “*prioritizing infill development over development at the edge of the city limits*” and to “*allow and encourage a diversity of housing types to fit the needs of the Fruita community and provide the diverse ‘funky’ character that is treasured by residents.*” These break down further in Chapter 3 Land Use + Growth of Fruita in Motion to policies and actions that include addressing affordable housing.

OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO COUNCIL

1. Appoint individuals to a Housing Technical Advisory Working Group
2. Not appoint individuals to a Housing Technical Advisory Working Group

RECOMMENDATION

It is staff’s recommendation that the City Council, by motion,

- **APPOINT THE INDIVIDUALS LISTED ABOVE TO A HOUSING TECHNICAL ADVISORY WORKING GROUP**