



FRUITA
COLORADO

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

TO: Mayor & City Council

FROM: Dan Caris, Planning and Development Director

DATE: February 22, 2022

AGENDA TEXT: Housing Goals & Next Steps

BACKGROUND

The purpose for this workshop is to discuss a myriad of topics related to the City's ongoing efforts to establish attainable housing strategies. Part of that discussion includes the Housing Authority's next steps, coordination with the Technical Advisory Council (TAC) and City Council, and community outreach.

Items for 2/22/22 Workshop Discussion:

1. Housing Authority next steps
2. Community Engagement & City Link
3. Coordinating meeting w/ TAC & Council

Past Timeline:

- July 27, 2021 City Council Workshop – Continued discussion concerning affordable housing/workforce housing.
- August 31, 2021 City Council Workshop – Continued discussion around affordable/workforce housing in Fruita.
- September 28, 2021 City Council Workshop – City Council discussed a wholistic affordable housing approach to meet the community needs.
- October 5, 2021 – Council approved the appointment of a housing technical advisory working group.
- November 2, 2021 – Council adopts Resolution 2021-32 which provided funds to contract with Economic Planning Systems (EPS) to conduct a Housing Needs Assessment and Regulatory Fee Study.
- January 24, 2022 – Special Meeting: Housing Authority Resolution
- January 24, 2022 – Council Workshop discussion
 - Housing strategies & traditional models
 - White Paper & EPS Presentation
 - Housing Authority By Laws & Appointment
 - Community Engagement & City Link
 - Review of schedule

- **Meeting Placeholders for Further Discussion (Updates from EPS, Technical Advisory Committee, Staff).**
 - March 1, 2022
 - March 15, 2022
 - March 29, 2022

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A currently

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 THE COUNCIL

This item is for the purpose of discussion and direction by the City Council.