

MEDINA, WASHINGTON

AGENDA BILL

Monday, April 25, 2022

Subject: Housing Needs Assessment Draft

Category: Discussion

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<u>Summary</u>

In the fall of 2021, the City applied for grant funding allocated by the Washington State Department of Commerce and funded through E2SHB 1923. The grant funding is being used for the development of a Housing Action Plan (HAP) that will allow the City to recognize the housing needs of its current and future populations, as well as outline goals, policies, and strategies to meet those needs.

The first step in the HAP development process is the creation of a housing needs assessment (HNA). A HNA is a study to identify the current and future housing needs of all economic segments of the community. It is intended to be guide for decision makers, residents, housing market professionals, and anyone else who might find it useful. It provides a baseline of data that explains the current conditions of housing in Medina and highlights where there are shortcomings or gaps in how the current housing supply meets the needs and demands of the residents now and in the future.

The draft HNA being presented tonight is the first deliverable. Throughout the next year the Housing Action Plan will be informed by public engagement and an assessment of existing city policies and regulations. The HAP strategies will address identified needs and policy changes and will be presented for Council for review and adoption in 2023. All of this information will then be incorporated in the Housing Element of the Comprehensive Plan.

Attachment(s) Draft Housing Needs Assessment

Recommendation: N/A

Proposed Council Motion: N/A

Time Estimate: 30 minutes