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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 11, 2024
TO: Medina Planning Commission
FROM: Jonathan Kesler, AICP, Planning Manager
RE: Item 6.3: Comp Plan Update – Dept. of Commerce Presentation on the Housing Element Observations

As noted by Dane Jepsen, our consultant with LDC, Inc:

On May 31, 2024, the City finalized the first draft of its 2024 Comprehensive Plan and submitted it for review by public agencies and the general public. The City has received comments from State and Regional Level reviews and should begin addressing comments through revisions to the Draft Comprehensive Plan and development regulations. These revisions are necessary to address issues of compliance with State regulations and consistency with Regional and county-wide plans. Major issues identified in the preliminary review of the received comments include:

- *Planning for Affordable Housing*
- *Assessment of Racially Disparate Impacts*
- *Further Incorporation of Climate Change Concerns*

At this meeting, he will go over all the comments received from agencies. In addition, we are fortunate to have in attendance, Senior Planner Lexine Long, AICP, from the Growth Management Services Division of the Washington Department of Commerce. She will discuss Housing, but also the Land Use, Transportation and Capital Facilities Elements of the Medina Comp Plan Draft as they pertain to state law and mandates under the legislation passed since the last Medina Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 2015. Please refer to Item 6.2, *2024 Comprehensive Plan Update, Initial Comment Review from PSRC, King County and Dept. of Commerce* for a copy of her specific letter.