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## MEDINA, WASHINGTON

## **AGENDA BILL**

**Tuesday, May 2, 2023** 

**Subject:** Housing Action Plan

**Category:** Public Hearing

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## Summary

In 2021, the City applied for grant funding allocated by the Department of Commerce and funded through Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill (E2SHB) 1923. The bill was designed to provide funding for municipal research to increase housing capacity in cities. The research would include evaluating local housing needs and determining actionable steps that can be taken for cities to improve housing stock, diversity, and affordability to proactively plan for housing that meets current and future population needs.

The City was awarded a grant under E2SHB 1923 to prepare a Housing Action Plan (HAP). The purpose of the HAP is to develop a single report that defines the community's needs, analyzes projected needs, and identifies the most appropriate strategies and implementation actions that promote greater housing opportunities at all income levels.

Planning Commission discussed the draft at their February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting and Council had a first discussion at their April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Tonight will be Planning Commission's public hearing and the recommendation will be forwarded to Council during a second public hearing on June 12<sup>th</sup>. To meet the criteria of the grant, the HAP must be adopted by Council no later than June 30, 2023.

Attachment(s) Housing Action Plan

**Budget/Fiscal Impact:** N/A

**Recommendation:** Approval

Proposed Commission Motion: Move to recommend approval of the Housing Action Plan

Time Estimate: 60 minutes