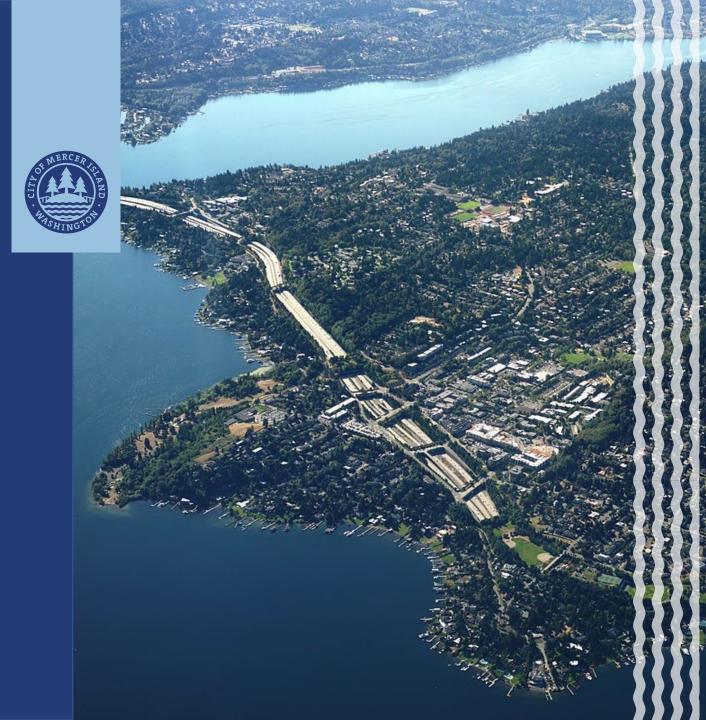
AB 6552: ARCH 2025-2026 Work Program and Administrative Budget



Summary

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ARCH Overview

- Intergovernmental coalition of 15 cities and King County
- Joint effort to plan for and provide affordable housing in East King County
- Newly adopted Strategic Plan designed to "Build More Affordable Housing Faster."
 - 2025-2026 Work Program and Budget crafted to move the Strategic Plan into action

2024 STRATEGIC PLAN

TO BEGIN, WE'LL FOCUS ON:

- Pursuing organizational and governance changes that streamline decision-making, empower the coalition to tackle major policy challenges, and increase education and engagement by members' elected officials in affordable housing.
- Focusing on targeted state and regional policy efforts that increase funding and reduce barriers that contribute to the cost of affordable housing development.
- Supporting high impact special projects and local strategies that result in creating more affordable housing faster.
- Providing an efficient vehicle for members to implement local funding and developer incentive programs and steward the affordable housing assets created through those programs.
- Focusing on partnerships to streamline our work and support the broader range of needs of low-income renters and homeowners.

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MISSION

To preserve and increase housing for low- and moderate-income households in East King County.



2025-2026 Work Program

- Continued focus on affordable housing investment as well as administration and oversight of affordable housing assets.
 - Support for members policy and planning for affordable housing, including compliance with HB 1220, HB 1110, HB 1337
- New capacity for following key strategic plan programs:
 - Facilitate targeted state and regional policy efforts increase funding and reduce barriers to affordable housing development
 - Convening and collaborating with ARCH members to identify legislative priorities
 - Coordinating advocacy efforts and providing data, policy expertise and talking points
 - Engage elected officials tours, educational workshops and briefings
 - Build support for affordable housing, key policy and funding tools, and the role of ARCH and local jurisdictions in meeting the needs of low-income households
 - Consider changes to ARCH's legal and governance structure
 - Streamlining decision-making, empowering the coalition to tackle major policy challenges, and increasing education and engagement of elected officials

2025-2026 Admin Budget

- The Administrative Budget covers staffing and operations to carry out the work program
 - Moving to biennial budget structure
 - 2 ARCH staff positions added for this biennium
- ARCH Administrative Budget totals:
 - 2025: \$2,720,754
 - 2026: \$2,827,690
- Mercer Island contributions:
 - 2025: \$95,259
 - 2026: \$98,405

Next Steps

- The City's preliminary 2025-2026 biennial budget includes the following:
 - ARCH Administrative Budget:
 - \$95,259 for 2025
 - \$98,405 for 2026
 - ARCH Housing Trust Fund:
 - \$35,000 annually for 2025 and 2026

Recommendation

 Approve the ARCH 2025-2026 Work Plan and Administrative Budget, including Mercer Island's contributions of \$95,259 in 2025 and \$98,405 in 2026.