2021 ARCH Budget and Work Plan

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Objectives

- Review the ARCH budget and work plan, which must be approved each year by the member cities
  - In past years this approval came after the start of the year; this year ARCH providing the work plan and budget in advance of city budget processes
- During the budget process, the City Council will need to appropriate funds for the ARCH administrative budget and the Housing Trust Fund (HTF)

ARCH Organizational Update

- Added 2.0 FTE in additional staff mid-2019

    - Additional capacity for oversight of Homeownership and Rental programs

- Taken over a dozen actions to improve documentation, policies and procedures, data collection and training

Administrative Budget

- Funds staffing and other costs associated with implementing the work plan

- 2021 Administrative Budget totals $1,155,261

- Member city contributions held flat at 2020 levels

- Mercer Island's share is $50,222

Housing Trust Fund Budget

- The HTF enables member cities to pool resources to directly fund affordable housing development and preservation
- The ARCH Executive Board adopted Parity Goals to foster equitable investments across member cities
  - Mercer Island's Parity Goal range is $18,146 - $150,045
- Past contributions have ranged between $30,000 - $96,000 per year

Work Plan

The ARCH Work Plan includes 5 core areas or work:

I. Affordable Housing Investment

II. Housing Policy and Planning

III. Housing Program Implementation
   a. Administering local housing incentive and inclusionary programs
   b. Long term monitoring and oversight of rental and homeownership housing

IV. Education and Outreach

V. Administration

Next Steps

- Allocate funds for the ARCH administrative budget and HTF in the 2021-2022 budget process

- Approve the ARCH 2021 Work Plan and Administrative Budget – scheduled for November 17, 2020

Recommended Action

1. Discuss the 2021 ARCH Budget and Work Program

2. Discuss the 2021-2022 budget contribution to the ARCH HTF