

MEMO



To: Planning Commission

From: Jason Bond, Assistant City Manager

Date: January 6, 2023

Re: **Proposed Amendment to Moderate Income Housing Plan**

On September 20, 2022, the City Council approved an update to the Moderate Income Housing Plan (MIHP) which incorporated implementation strategies as required by the State. After a couple months, Santaquin City was notified that the approved updates were not in compliance with State Code. Essentially, the City was informed that there was not enough detail showing benchmarks and a timeline for when strategies would be implemented. Since then, staff has been coordinating with the Moderate Income Housing Program Manager to draft some language that would be in compliance. The attached draft reflects language that has been reviewed by her and which would bring the plan into compliance.

After further discussing the MIHP with the Program Manager, I developed a better understanding that Santaquin needs a fifth strategy if we want to be listed as a “priority city” when it comes to receiving State funding. With the strong effort that the Mayor and Council are making to get funding for transportation projects such as the interchange replacement/reconfiguration, a proposed fifth strategy is being proposed to help with funding acquisition efforts and to further support implementation of moderate income housing options in Santaquin City.

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the Planning Commission provide a recommendation to the City Council regarding the draft language and the proposed fifth strategy.