

BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF SNOQUALMIE

AB24-021 February 13, 2023 Committee Report

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	AB24-021 Snoqualmie Housing Target				☐ Discussion Only☒ Action Needed:	
PROPOSED	A Motion to Approve a Revised 2044 Snoqualmie				☐ Motion	
ACTION:	Housing Target and Request King County Reconciliation				☐ Ordinance	
	of Established Target					
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REVIEW:	Department Director	Emily Arteche		1/22/2024		
	Finance	n/a		Click or tap to enter a date.		
	Legal	David Linehan		1/22/2024		
	City Administrator	Mike Chambless		1/30/2024		
DEPARTMENT:	Community Development					
STAFF:	Emily Arteche					
COMMITTEE:	Community Development		COMMITTEE DATE: February 5, 2024			
EXHIBITS:	 AB24-021x1 Resolution of Housing Growth Target AB24-021x2 Snoqualmie Growth Targets Analysis: Appendix A - Snoqualmie Land Capacity Analysis Memo Appendix B - Snoqualmie LCA Critical Areas Memo Appendix C - Snoqualmie Final Housing Strategy Plan Appendix D - Final Snoqualmie Housing Needs Assessment Appendix E - Snoqualmie Valley Housing Needs Assessment 					
	AMOUNT OF EXPENDI	TURE	\$ n/a			
	AMOUNT BUDGETED		\$ n/a			
	APPROPRIATION REQU	UESTED	\$ n/a			

SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION

This proposed resolution is to approval a revised 2044 Snoqualmie Growth Target for Housing.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

N/A

BACKGROUND

In December of 2021 the King County Council adopted assigned growth targets for the City of Snoqualmie including 1500 units of housing. On June 12, 2023, the City Council held a Roundtable meeting to discuss a

Housing Policy Strategy to address the housing growth target. At that time, the City discussed the desire to complete current housing efforts including a Valley wide Housing Needs Analysis, City-wide Housing Needs Analysis, a Middle Housing Analysis, a lands capacity analysis (buildable lands), a Housing Strategy Plan and a draft Housing Element (see Exhibit 2, Snoqualmie Growth Targets Analysis and Attachments A-E).

ANALYSIS

Upon completing a Valleywide Housing Needs Analysis, Citywide Housing Needs Analysis, a Middle Housing Analysis, a lands capacity analysis (buildable lands), a Housing Strategy Plan and a draft Housing Element and nearing the completion of a Comprehensive Plan periodic update the City and King County are working jointly to reconcile the City's assigned 2044 growth target for housing.

A recently completed a Growth Targets Analysis; Exhibit 1 demonstrates that the City has sufficient capacity for employment growth but insufficient capacity for high, very low, and extremely low-income housing growth projections. This shortage is due to the lack of available developable land for single-family housing and low-income serving housing solutions and would require the City to plan to provide an additional 1,118 residential units by 2044.

The majority of land in the city is either built-out or undevelopable due to the presence of environmentally sensitive areas, including the floodplain. The analysis found that approximately 49% of land in the City is impacted by local regulations governing and protecting environmentally sensitive areas. Additionally, existing lots associated within the Ridge Owners Association are unlikely to see future development, including Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs), given regulations against such development set forth in their Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions.

BUDGET IMPACTS

N/A

NEXT STEPS

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