



MEMORANDUM COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Date: 5/30/2024
To: Planning Commission
From: Kate Kaehny, Principal Planner
Subject: **6/4 Envision SeaTac 2044 Work Session Overview: Review and Discuss Proposed Housing Policy Updates**

SUMMARY

The main goal of the upcoming work session is to familiarize the Commission with the first draft of proposed changes to housing policies within the Chapter 3 Housing & Human Services Element of the Comprehensive Plan.

OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO HOUSING POLICIES

As discussed previously with the Commission, including at the 5/21 work session, proposed changes to the City's housing policies are based on advancing the Envision SeaTac 2044 project's multiple goals. This includes changes that:

- Address Envision project themes (see [project website](#) for list of themes), and recommendations from [SeaTac's Housing Action Plan](#) (adopted 2021),
- Support and align with proposed new growth strategies that focus on increasing options for housing and services citywide (through urban villages, neighborhood villages and other centers) and the creation of complete neighborhoods, and
- Align with new state and regional guidance including:
 - State requirements for making adequate provisions for housing for existing and projected needs for all economic segments of the community, addressing and mitigating racially disparate impacts that could result from policy changes, and providing moderate density housing options,
 - Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) and King County requirements focused on promoting equitable access to opportunity, increasing housing options and supply for all income levels, mitigating residential displacement, and others.

PREPARING FOR 6/4 HOUSING POLICY REVIEW

While project staff will present the proposed housing policy changes at the June 4 meeting, Commissioners may want to prepare for the work session by reviewing the Draft Housing and Human Services Policy Review Matrix that is provided within this packet. I will also be sending a Word version of the matrix to you before Tuesday's meeting in case you would like to record your thoughts and questions on the proposals. (Please note that Commissioners' comments on the housing proposals are not requested to be provided to project staff until the June 18 Planning Commission meeting.)

PROJECT RESOURCES AND INFORMATION FROM PAST MEETINGS

The following links to information are provided as resources for Commissioners who would like to refamiliarize themselves with presentations from past meetings and other background materials.

- [Envision SeaTac 2044 Project Website](#): Scroll down to the section called "Planning Commission Documents" to see materials from all Envision project briefings.

- [SeaTac Comprehensive Plan Website](#): Includes Comprehensive Plan document (Volumes 1 and 2) and links to adopted subarea plans and materials related to the City Center Plan (existing), S 154th Station Area Plan, and Angle Lake Station Area Plan.

PACKET MATERIALS

Packet materials include the following:

- This memo
- Housing & Human Services Policy Review Matrix – Draft 1