

City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 19-00336 City Council 7/18/2019

DISCUSSION ITEM

FROM: City Council Member Jewel Cannada-Wynn

SUBJECT:

AFFORDABLE HOUSING TASKFORCE - 500 IN 5 YEARS

SUMMARY:

Currently within the City of Pensacola, the affordable housing inventory is deficient. The intent of this discussion item is to explore the possibility of establishing an Affordable Housing Taskforce with the ultimate goal of increasing the housing inventory by 500 within 5 years.

The goal of the task force is to create housing solutions for the development of additional workforce housing with the City. The task force would be asked to create an action plan for the building of 500 workforce housing structures within five (5) years after the completion of the Task Force Report. The City, County and State are experiencing an affordable housing crisis. The current housing opportunities are not meeting the needs of the community when families are cost burdened in trying to maintain a home as well as other concerns in purchasing a home. It would be a further goal of the Task Force to focus on home ownership. However, housing solutions other than homeownership could be needed to resolve a persistent housing problem.

The task force will be asked to look at the availability of funding opportunities, which would include public - private partnerships. It will also be asked to look at solutions to housing in reference to the diversity of housing types.

PRIOR ACTION:

None

STAFF CONTACT:

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ATTACHMENTS:

1) FHC 2019 Pre-Session Journal

PRESENTATION: No