

Community Development Committee

Meeting date: April 21, 2014

Subject: Update on the Housing Policy Plan

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Information only

Staff Prepared/Presented: Presented by Councilmember and Housing Policy Plan Work Group Co-Chair Steven Chávez; Prepared by Libby Starling (651-602-1135) and Jonathan Stanley (651-602-1555)

Division/Department: Community Development / Regional Policy and Research

Background

Council Member Chávez will update the Community Development Committee on the activities of the Housing Policy Plan Work Group (HPPWG) and the work of the Housing Policy Plan.

The Housing Policy Plan Work Group is meeting monthly; recent meetings have focused on potential content for the Housing Policy Plan. The Housing Policy Plan will be drafted by late summer.

Two Housing Policy Plan Work Group subgroups are meeting monthly as well – one is focusing on revising and updating the Allocation of Affordable Housing Need, one is revising the Council’s Housing Performance Scores. Additionally, a new subgroup has been formed with members from both the Housing Policy Plan Work Group and the Transportation Advisory Board to address how to incorporate affordable housing and the Housing Performance Scores into the scoring for applications to the Regional Solicitation for federal transportation funds.

As the Housing Policy Plan begins to take shape over the next months, the Community Development Committee and the full Council will need to start considering some of the emerging policy tensions. Councilmember Chávez’s remarks will lay the groundwork around these questions in preparation for a work session at a future Community Development Committee Housing Policy Plan work session, tentatively envisioned for June 2.