



COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

CITY COUNCIL of SALT LAKE CITY

TO: City Council Members

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DATE: April 5, 2022

**RE: Informational Briefing:
Update on Housing Ordinances, Plans
and Initiatives**

PROJECT TIMELINE:

Briefing: April 5 & 12 2022

Set Date: N/A

Public Hearing: N/A

Potential Action: N/A

ISSUE AT-A-GLANCE

For several years, housing issues have been a priority for the Salt Lake City Council as a response to the current housing affordability crisis, as well as homelessness. Whether it pertains to affordable housing, density, increasing the variety of housing options, or neighborhood compatibility and character, housing issues are a consistent theme of the City Council's discussion.

There is a lot of interest from Council Members and the community in getting a clear overview of the many items the Administration has been working on related to housing and development issues.

The Council will be briefed by Community and Neighborhoods Department (CAN) staff about projects currently in process that may have an impact on the growth and development of the City. The projects may include housing-related ordinances and plans, zoning and planning changes that affect the density and growth, an overview of the master plans that have been adopted and are in the process of being updated and any other related issues that impact the function of City neighborhoods and businesses that comes under CAN's responsibilities.

The Chair/VC asked the CAN staff to cover this information over two briefings so there is plenty of time to be briefed and hold a discussion about these important topics. These briefings will be held on April 5 and April 12.

The goal of the briefings is to give the Council a holistic view of these many projects and how they interact with each other, so that the Council has the full picture of related work when being asked to consider various projects that come before them for consideration. *Staff note: Development of new affordable housing units is concentrated in the Redevelopment Agency (RDA).*

In addition to the projects listed below, in the coming weeks the City Council will receive separate updates from the CAN staff on the *Thriving In Place* study and Fleet Block.

Key Issues to be Discussed (as outlined in the transmittal)

- **2022 Legislative Changes for Moderate Income Housing Plan Requirements**
 - Moderate Income Housing Plan Update

- **Ordinances in Process**
 - Affordable Housing Zoning Incentives (*formerly known as Affordable Housing Overlay*)
 - RMF-30
 - Shared Housing
 - Off Street Parking
 - ADUs
 - Downtown Building Height Study
 - Renters Choice Policy

- **Housing Related Plans**
 - Growing SLC: 5-Year Housing Plan, and its scheduled 5-year update
 - 300 West Corridor
 - Ballpark Station Plan
 - Life on State

- **Citywide Adopted Plans**

- **Community Plans, Small Area Plans, and Corridor Plans**

Background

In December 2020 the Council held a briefing on a variety of planning petitions related to housing issues. City staff from Community and Neighborhoods briefed the Council on these petitions and related issues. They talked about many of the recent efforts made to implement the goals and objectives of the city's housing plan, Growing SLC.

Updates on various topic included Gentrification Study (now called *Thriving in Place*), Housing Loss Mitigation, Shared Housing, RMF-30, Off Street Parking, ADUs, Affordable Housing Overlay (now called *Housing Incentives*), the Housing Plan and Transportation Master Plan.

This April 5, 2022, briefing will serve as an update on many of these issues.