



**Meeting Minutes – Housing Working Group**

Date: October 11, 2017

Time: 9-11 a.m.

Location: City of Prior Lake

**Work Group Members:**

Mathew Adeniran		James Eriksrud	x	Anne Mavity	
Deb Barber		Eric Gentry	X	Casey McCabe	
Dave Beer	x	Laura Helmer	X	Mary Miller	
Dave Brown	x	Joe Julius		Patti Sotis	x
Ron Clark		Margaret Kaplan		Mike Waldo	x
Bob Coughlen	x	Ted Kowalski	x		
Mohamed Duale		Michael Leek	x		

**Staff Members:**

Danielle Fox		Julie Siegert	x
Daniel Lauer-Schumacher	x	Kathy Nielsen	x

**Steering Committee:**

Bob Crawford	X	Michelle Choudek	x
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**Agenda Item: Comprehensive Plan Recommendations**

Michael Leek introduced the policy statements to the SCALE Technical Team. There were not many questions, the presentation went well. Notified the team that there may be some additional input from housing committee. Shakopee and Prior Lake city have planning meetings coming up.

**Agenda Item: Rental Housing Discussion**

Reviewed the chart that was distributed last month noting housing by income levels: 0-30%; 51-60%; 61-120%; 121%+

What is the condition of our current housing stock?

Belle Plaine has rental licensing requirement and does inspections. Jordan, Savage and Shakopee rental registration. Inspections only in 4+ units and are relatively new policies.

What is the condition...if we have affordable housing that needs updating is there a low interest loan to help update to ensure that there not a loss of this housing stock.

If there is common language can this be addressed on the county level to help simplify and consistent across cities

What are the common resistance within the community and is the public perception of the "risk" accurate is the police calls etc lower that people actually expect.

How do you get community investment in the projects? Community ownership of trailer parks has helped with the residents are also the owners has resulted in a much lower rates of issues. But this involves by in from the current owners.

This does not need to be limited to mobile parks by also look at condos at low price point so that there can be a sense of ownership and community investment in the project.

Look at how police reports are done making it per capita or per household vs per address.

The importance of language. Housing tends to focus on negatives vs homes which are considered positive. Talk about creating homes vs housing needs. Everyone needs a home.

The perception of section 8, section 42, apartments vs perception of homes (single family homes).

Solutions discussed were: Community Education - Defining terms of Affordable housing, workforce, section 42, section 8, mortgage deduction. Telling personal stories, involving the Business community and faith community advocates.

Comprehensive plan implementation - housing policy, City fee structure

Legislative goals: Continue to advocate for 1<sup>st</sup> time home buyers assistance; Legislative for low cost approve net homes; Legislative requirement for units to be larger in sq footage than market housing. Get problem statement and solution.

Attracting business small high wage into the county; Engage business community; Attract them to the county. Public private partnership re: housing; Define benefits

Define credits for affordable housing

Engage developers. What is the Home ownership gap - \$200k home are not in the market, look to use MN Housing Community Impact fund or Habitat for Humanity.

What are the available MN Housing products for both Rental rehab loans and Home ownership products?

**Agenda Item: Wrap-up**

Community Engagement

Marnita's Table is an organization out of Minneapolis that has great record of bringing together community to have discussions. There will be a table on Housing, Workforce and Education. It will be a 3 hour event, focus on meal with ½ group being those looking/need affordable housing.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 8, 2017 – Prior Lake City Hall**