

Interlocal Housing Task Force

Minutes: 04.11.16

- Members present:

Dennis Brown
Ruth Brown
Joey Allred
Jazmine Duncan

Rikki Epperson
Emily Niehaus
Audrey Graham
Ben Byrd

Jeff Whitney
Rani Derasary
Jaylyn Hawks
Zacharia Levine

- Member updates:

- Grand County activities

- BIG issues: Assured housing, infrastructure improvements, density (land values)
- Several Land Use Code amendments moving through the legislative process
- Twice monthly County Council-Planning Commission workshops continuing
- Multiple agency representatives to take part in a housing toolkit (capacity building) session with the State beginning in August 2016

- Moab City activities

- Rani attended the Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) mid-year conference
- Moab City is still committed to exploring an essential workforce housing dev't.
- Amy Weiser hired as the Community Services Director and begins 4/18/16

- Subcommittees

- Moab Area Community Land Trust

- Three new board members brings it to a full 5-person board
- Meeting planned with Scott Loomis of Mountainland Community Land Trust (Summit County/Park City) for early May
- Potential partnership with SEES.org for public engagement

- Joey Allred

- Looking at additional sources of funding for Veteran supportive housing
- SHA Grant is a great resource – two versions
 - Disabled vets who served during war time eras (not required to have served in combat, or have a service related disability)
 - Making temporary housing for vets accessible
- Grand County's pilot VA housing 1st program is now seen as a model
- Is anyone looking at congressional appropriations for local housing?

- Design Subcommittee (Dennis Brown)

- Missing middle housing typologies
- Temporary housing designs
 - Possible end-use: on-site employee housing, campgrounds, etc.

- Non-profit partners

- Community Rebuilds gearing up to do multifamily units in and beyond Moab

- Community members

- TASKS for the Housing Task Force
 - Public education campaign
 - Content, Format, Audience, Distribution
 - See existing resources
 - Simple “rack card” handout for businesses
 - WHO WILL DESIGN IT?
 - Subdivision Process: Overview!
 - Assured Housing: next step
 - Economic feasibility and nexus studies (Zacharia and volunteer to be identified)
 - Possible funding sources for the study – County AH pot (\$15k), City AH pot (\$150k)
 - The role of property tax in affordable, owner-occupied housing
 - Abatements, delays, and other components of affordability (Ruth Brown to assist)
 - <http://cityobservatory.org/measuring-housing-affordability-what-about-homeowners/>

- Affordable housing in the news (member generated list)

Housing solutions (general):

- New York passes rent rules to blunt gentrification
<http://www.nytimes.com/2016/03/23/nyregion/new-york-council-passes-zoning-changes-de-blasio-sought.html?emc=eta1>
- Microhotels (as a model for micro apartments?)
http://www.nytimes.com/2016/03/22/business/at-microhotels-the-price-is-right-and-the-space-is-tight.html?emc=eta1&_r=0
- Tiny Homes in Las Cruces, NM
<http://www.lcsun-news.com/story/news/2016/04/09/tiny-homes-subdivision-proposed-city-officials/82823488/>

Affordability challenges throughout the Country:

- Sprawl beyond zoning
<http://cityobservatory.org/sprawl-beyond-zoning/>
- Great neighborhoods don’t have to be illegal
<http://cityobservatory.org/great-neighborhoods-dont-have-to-be-illegal-theyre-not-elsewhere/>
- Mayor De Blasio’s Efforts to Ease Housing Face Opposition
<http://www.npr.org/2016/03/09/469837061/new-york-mayors-plan-to-ease-housing-shortage-faces-opposition>

Utah-specific articles:

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- Other resources of interest:
 - o Moab free health clinic resource directory
<http://moabfreehealthclinic.org/resource-directory/>
 - o The City Observatory: One of the best data driven, research oriented commentary sites on City and Regional Planning
<http://cityobservatory.org>
 - o CityLab (From The Atlantic)
<http://www.citylab.com/>
 - o Planetizen: Online Magazine
<http://planetizen.com>