

Interlocal Housing Task Force

Minutes: 06.06.16

- Member updates:
 - Grand County activities
 - The 5/17/16 Council meeting resulted in the passage of all proposed land use code amendments and the rezone of 38.95 acres from LLR to MFR. The rezone also included a development agreement that would deed restrict 20% of the proposed 220 units included in the master plan concept (a historic win in Grand County)
 - Another wave of land use code amendments is on the horizon. Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on 6/22/16 to solicit public comment on the proposed amendments.
 - Zacharia is working on the code enforcement protocol. It is not finished yet.
 - Moab City activities
 - Amy is getting settled into her new position. She is 5 weeks into the job as of this meeting.
 - Meetings with the City Council, Planning Commission, and Developers are going well.
 - The City will pursue a full code revision that will likely take at least 12 months from start to finish.
 - An RFP for a Downtown Plan recently closed.
 - Amy was on the radio recently discussing City activities.
 - Subcommittees
 - Data Subcommittee
 - The data subcommittee is collecting information on employee housing needs and opportunities.
 - So far, the responses are quite disparate
 - Design & Construction Subcommittee (working with HASU)
 - Dennis has improved the incremental design/construction concept to better fit the Moab context (cultural and regulatory)
 - HASU will likely administer the library of “pre-approved construction plans”
 - Legislator and Public Outreach Subcommittee
 - Zacharia is looking at writing a series of housing and planning related articles
 - Development of a “Tiny House Resource Guide”
 - Special Needs & Vulnerable Populations Subcommittee
 - Joey Allred and Tiffany Van Sickle provided a review of the Intergenerational poverty tour, which included Lt. Governor Spencer Cox. The state is supporting local efforts to “break the cycle” of

intergenerational poverty. Moab will establish a Communities that Care initiative.

- Moab Regional Hospital has a nearly completed and updated community health survey and response plan. Findings show that substance abuse and mental and behavioral health issues are still prominent in Grand County. Housing affordability was cited as a top concern for survey respondents.
- The task force discussed the differences and nuances of emergency housing, housing shelters, and housing first programs and perspectives.
- Non-profit partners
 - HASU
 - Open house for Mutual Self-help homes on Murphy Lane set for 6/21/16; 1-3pm
 - Breaking ground on Valley View Subdivision
 - Ben, Zacharia, Joey, and Jaylyn will participate in the State's housing toolkit program using the Millcreek Apartments complex as its project. The ultimate goal is to come out of the 6 month workshop with development funding.
 - MALCT
 - Will not take on the construction plans library, but is hoping to have all of its policies and procedures in place by Thanksgiving
 - Active Reentry
 - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funding is available and unused. Talk with Joey for details
 - The Food Bank NEEDS support. Matching donation programs exist with support from the private sector.
 - HEAT assistance was explained
- Community members
- Possible TASKS for the Housing Task Force
 - How to live TINY in Grand County: A resource guide for tiny homes
 - Education & Outreach

An overview of the development review process in Grand County

- Affordable housing in the news (member generated list)

Housing solutions (general):

- Architect Open-Sources Affordable Housing Design (Incremental Design)
<https://nextcity.org/daily/entry/affordable-housing-designs-free-online-architect-alejandro-aravena>
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Affordability challenges throughout the Country:

- YIMBY – Yes in my backyard.
In Cramped and Costly Bay Area, Cries to Build, Baby, Build
<http://www.nytimes.com/2016/04/17/business/economy/san-francisco-housing-tech-boom-sf-barf.html?smid=pl-share>

Utah-specific articles:

- National Low Income Housing Coalition’s Out of Reach Report, 2015: Utah
<http://nlihc.org/oor/utah>
- Other resources of interest:
 - Moab free health clinic resource directory
<http://moabfreehealthclinic.org/resource-directory/>
 - The City Observatory: One of the best data driven, research oriented commentary sites on City and Regional Planning
<http://cityobservatory.org>
 - CityLab (From The Atlantic)
<http://www.citylab.com/>
 - Planetizen: Online Magazine
<http://planetizen.com>