



Staff Report

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TO: City Council

THROUGH: Steve Powers, City Manager

FROM: Anna M. Peterson, Mayor

SUBJECT:

Announcing appointments of Councilors Jim Lewis and Daniel Benjamin to the Housing Choices Advisory Committee.

Ward(s): All Wards

Councilor(s): All Councilors

Neighborhood(s): All Neighborhoods

ISSUE:

Announcing appointments of Councilors Jim Lewis and Daniel Benjamin to the Housing Choices Advisory Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

Information only.

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND:

The City is forming an advisory committee to provide input on the development of code amendments to expand housing choices in Salem. This Housing Choices Advisory Committee will advise staff on how to allow accessory dwelling units in Salem and if there are situations where lower-density multifamily development - such as duplexes, triplexes and townhouses - could be compatible in single-family zones. This work is part of the Salem Housing Needs Analysis (HNA) work plan, which can be found on the City's website: <http://www.cityofsalem.net/salem-eoahna>. I appoint Councilors Jim Lewis and Daniel Benjamin to the Housing Choices Advisory Committee

FACTS AND FINDINGS:

City Council adopted Resolution No. 2016-05 to accept the HNA and directed staff to implement the

Salem HNA work plan. The HNA found that based on a 20-year population forecast, there is a 207-acre deficit of land designated for multifamily housing (2,897 units) in Salem's portion of the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB). The HNA work plan consists of three phases of work to address this projected deficit of multifamily land.

The Housing Choices Advisory Committee will provide guidance and advise staff during Phase 1, starting with accessory dwelling units. The committee includes City Council members, Planning Commission members, Neighborhood Association representatives, and representatives from the development and real estate communities. Advisory Committee meetings will be open to the public.

Attachments:
None.

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