

Board of Directors

Meeting date: July 17, 2024

Agenda Item #: 12

Regional Housing Needs Assessment Report

Agenda item type: Informational briefing

Summary

Overview of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment draft report.

Background

Please [follow this link to download the draft report](#).

Metro Vision, the Denver region's plan, prioritizes "diverse housing options to meet the needs of residents of all ages, incomes, and abilities." However, the region's current housing supply falls short of today's needs. To work toward this desired outcome, DRCOG, initiated development of a Regional Housing Needs Assessment at the end of September 2023. The assessment articulates the scale and scope of the region's housing needs, identifies systemic barriers to addressing housing in the Denver region, and offers a framework for development of a regional housing strategy.

DRCOG and the consultant team of ECONorthwest, Community Planning Collaborative, and MIG engaged a cross-sector, 30-member advisory group for six meetings to provide guidance during development of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment. The advisory group included representatives from across the Denver region that included state and local government staff, for- and non-profit housing developers, economists, demographers, housing and environmental advocates, and staff from the region's homelessness continuum of care. The project team engaged approximately 200 stakeholders through the advisory group and focus groups, as well as interviews on the topics of infrastructure, housing advocacy and services, regional economics, housing finance, housing development, the environment, and local government.

DRCOG staff and the consultant team have shared preliminary findings from the Regional Housing Needs Assessment during development of the project. They are ready to share the [draft report](#) and its [appendices](#) and outline the immediate next steps for this work after the conclusion of the consultant contract at the end of this month.

Action by others

None

Previous discussion/action

[April 4, 2024 – Board work session](#)

[January 3, 2024 – Board work session](#)



Recommendation

None

Attachments

Staff presentation

For more information

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