

In response to resident confusion and concerns related to misinformation being spread throughout our community I move that the Council direct staff to update the current scope of the City's housing initiative that began with the Ad Hoc Housing Committee's Recommendations in June of 2022 to note these current areas of focus:

1. Update Neighborhood Design Guidelines for the R1-b districts to further enforce the concepts of form and fit in these neighborhoods.
2. Develop a policy to govern short-term rental properties throughout the City.
3. Refine the R-3 district standard to focus less on "density" and more on building scale/form
4. Improve the R-4 district for a wider range of higher-density, multi-unit types, such as:
 - a. Small lot detached houses (lot scale and courtyard patterns)
 - b. Row houses – small/large lots
 - c. Apartments (small/medium)
5. Promote mix of housing options and appropriate building types in C-O and C-1 districts.
6. Improve expectations in the MXD district by establishing missing middle building type standards as the default district standards.

Furthermore, we ask staff to note in the update that the following recommendations are NOT being, or never have been, actively developed by staff as part the current housing initiative per prior direction from Council or the Planning Commission:

1. Promote and remove impediments to Accessory Dwelling Units in R-1A and R-1B districts
2. "Neighborhood-scale" housing options in R1-A and R1-B (e.g. Small-lot detached houses, Courtyard patterns, Multi-unit houses)
3. Wider range of small-scale, multi-unit types of housing for the R-2 district (e.g. smaller lot duplexes, 3 and 4-plex "multi-unit" houses, row houses (small lot))
4. Revisions to building permit fees
5. Housing study recommendations
6. Lot size modifications in all zoning districts
7. Revisions to resident notification requirements outlined in the "SITE PLAN APPROVAL AND PUBLIC NOTICE" code in sections 19.06.050 and 19.08.045 which address the R-1a and R1-b zones respectively in Prairie Village.