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In Control: Housing Commission to Protect and Preserve Dynamic and Diverse Neighborhoods

DEPARTMENT: Department of Planning and Community Development

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Bridgett White

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Continuation of briefing and discussion on a potential resident retention framework

SUMMARY:

This item will include the continuation of a briefing and discussion on potential policies for the development of a resident retention framework.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On October 27, 2015, the Housing Commission to Protect and Preserve Dynamic and Diverse Neighborhoods established the Resident Retention Subcommittee in order to discuss relevant items on the Commission's FY 2016 Work Plan and to develop recommendations to bring back to the Commission for possible action. The Subcommittee includes six (6) members from the Housing Commission: Jennifer Gonzalez (Chair), Natalie Griffith (Vice-Chair), Jackie Gorman, Jim Bailey, Carol Rodriguez, and Richard Milk.

According to the FY 2016 Work Plan, the Resident Retention Subcommittee will:

- Develop policy recommendations to provide targeted property tax relief for long-time residents, preserve and create affordable housing, increase economic opportunities, and improve services to residents.
- Explore the development of community land trusts to provide owner-occupied housing for low and moderate income households in higher cost areas.
- Develop tools specifically for the protection of existing manufactured home communities and residents.

ISSUE:

The Mayor's Task Force for Preserving Dynamic & Diverse Neighborhoods recommended that the Housing Commission:

- Explore community land trusts and other tools for the protection of existing mobile/ manufactured home communities and residents
- Explore the creation of a Neighborhood Empowerment Zone and other tools to provide targeted property tax relief for long-time residents; and
- Explore the development of a Community Land Trust to construct, acquire, rehabilitate, and resell housing.

Staff will continue its facilitated discussion on an overall resident retention framework to result in policies and/or programs that protect existing residents.

ALTERNATIVES:

This item is for briefing purposes only

FISCAL IMPACT:

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RECOMMENDATION:

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