



Study Session - Housing Authority Planning Day

Housing Authority Meeting
September 26, 2022

Agenda

1. Review of City Council Goals
2. Overview of Housing Authority
3. HCS Roles and Responsibilities
4. Planning Objectives
5. Planning for the Future

City Council Goals and Priorities

1. Deliver Housing for All
2. Reduce Homelessness and its Impacts
3. Ensure a Healthy and Safe Community for All
4. Promote Economic and Community Vibrancy
5. Build and Maintain Sustainable Infrastructure
6. Achieve Organizational Excellence

Housing Authority Legal Basis

CA Health and Safety Code Section 34200-34606

- A corporate and politic public body
- Duties:
 - acquire, lease, and operate housing projects for persons of low income, and housing developments for persons of low income;
 - provide for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, alteration, or repair of all or part of any housing project; and
 - provide leased housing to persons of low income.
- Body:
 - Identifies five persons as general commissioners;
 - Two persons who are tenants of the Authority – one of whom is 62 or over;

Housing Authority Mission

The purpose of the Housing Authority is to ensure adequate, decent, safe and sanitary housing for qualified people within Santa Rosa consistent with federal, state and local laws.

Housing Authority Roles and Responsibilities

Key objectives include:

- Set funding priorities for affordable housing production and preservation.
- Set policy for rental assistance to approximately 2,000 families with the funds allocated by HUD.
- Oversee monitoring of affordable housing units within Santa Rosa.

Housing & Community Services' Staff Roles and Responsibilities

- Executive Director – provides general administration of Authority business, as directed by Authority.
- Secretary – keeps the records of the Authority, records all votes and proceedings.
- General Counsel – represents legal interest of Authority.

Planning Day Objectives

- Housing Authority Commissioners provide input on the objectives.
- Provide a space for open communication and idea sharing.
- Identify ways to improve the delivery and preservation of affordable housing.

Planning for the Future

- Ideas on where the future emphasis should be in respect to adding to or improving the city's housing inventory.

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- Distribution of assisted housing throughout the community.

Planning for the Future

- Overview of housing types needed (families, seniors, homeless, veterans, people with disabilities, etc.).

Planning for the Future

- Solicitation process for funding resources.

Planning for the Future

- Next steps.

Wrap Up