



## Legislation Text

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**TITLE:**

DISCUSSION ON CREATING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this item is for the Board to consider changing the Affordable Housing Task Force into a permanent Affordable Housing Committee.

**DEPARTMENT:** Manager's Office

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**INFORMATION:** On June 26, 2012 the Board of Aldermen created an Affordable Housing Task Force. The purpose of the Task Force was to examine existing land use provisions related to affordable housing and provide recommended changes. Since the term of the Task Force was open-ended, its' work has continued through today and resulted in a number of achievements.

On June 17, 2014, the Task Force presented an Affordable Housing Goals and Strategy document to the Board. This document has served as the guiding tool for all affordable housing related work for the Town.

In July, 2015, dedicated staffing for affordable housing was provided by the Town to assist in the implementation of the approved strategies and the continued work of the Task Force. This Board approved revisions and expansion of the Affordable Housing Fund has been part of the continued work of the Task Force, among many other activities.

Since the Town's strategies are now well-defined, dedicated staffing has been provided, and the Affordable Housing Fund is structured to support these efforts, the Task Force is recommending its role change to an advisory board. A memo from Alderman Chaney, Task Force Chair, has been provided. This memo details the potential structure of this potential Affordable Housing Committee. The Affordable Housing Task Force has reviewed this memo and recommends the Board of Aldermen consider approving the advisory board structure provided in it.

**FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT:** Fiscal or staff impact is anticipated to be nominal.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the Board consider approving the attached resolution directing staff to create a draft amendment to the Town Code adding a permanent Affordable Housing Committee.