



Legislation Text

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Site Assessment Report on Town-Owned Land Identified for Possible Affordable Housing Use

PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is for the Town Council to receive a report from Summit Design and Engineering Services on the site assessment of identified town-owned land for possible affordable housing use.

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COUNCIL DIRECTION:

☐ Race/Equity ☐ Climate ☒ Comprehensive Plan ☐ Other

This site assessment is an activity in support of Goal 3 in the Affordable Housing chapter of the Comprehensive Plan: Diversify and expand a variety of housing options throughout Carrboro using a mixture of affordable housing types. Specifically, it addresses one of the Plan's Affordable Housing Priority Projects: Strategy 3.4 A Identify existing Town-owned lands that can be conveyed to affordable housing developers. Review all Town-owned land not needed for public facilities to determine suitability for affordable housing and determine value of land in consideration of provision of public benefits.

INFORMATION: On [February 8, 2022 <https://carrboro.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5447172&GUID=709E6924-5CA2-4E5F-8178-CE516C36ABC8&Options=&Search=>](https://carrboro.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5447172&GUID=709E6924-5CA2-4E5F-8178-CE516C36ABC8&Options=&Search=>), the Town Council approved a strategy for utilizing town-owned land to create affordable housing. The first step of this process is to conduct an inventory of town land and an assessment of parcels identified for potential affordable housing use.

Three parcels located on Pathway Drive and one on Crest Street were identified for conducting a site assessment to determine the feasibility of residential development. On August 28, 2022, the Town issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) #2023-425-2 and Summit Design and Engineering Services was selected to conduct the assessment of these parcels.

The assessment included the following components: 1. Preliminary Visual Site Assessment; 2. Property Survey; 3. Geotechnical Investigation and Evaluation; 4. Environmental Assessment; 5. Stormwater Assessment. Public involvement is also included in the scope of work.

Summit Design and Engineering will present a report of their assessment. The full report is located in Attachment A.

Further follow up reviews by Town staff will follow the presentation to Town Council and community

engagement processes may occur as the next step.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no financial impact in the receipt of this report.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Council receive the site assessment report.