



City of Cincinnati

Equitable Growth & Housing

Meeting Minutes

Chairperson, Reggie Harris
Vice Chairperson, Meeka Owens
Councilmember, Jeff Cramerding
Councilmember, Mark Jeffreys
Councilmember, Liz Keating
Vice Mayor, Jan-Michele Kearney
Councilmember, Victoria Parks
Councilmember, Scotty Johnson

Tuesday, February 1, 2022

1:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Meeka Owens
Jan-Michele Kearney
Liz Keating
Jeff Camerding
Mark Jeffreys
Victoria Parks
Scotty Johnson

PRESENTATIONS

AGENDA

1. MOTION, submitted by Councilmember Landsman, Eager to pass comprehensive residential tax abatement reform, WE HEREBY MOVE that the Administration report to City Council with any updates regarding the study being conducted on the implementation of a tiered residential tax abatement program in the City of Cincinnati. Additionally, WE MOVE that the Administration begin to prepare legislative options and any necessary procedural planning so that upon receipt of the results of the study, the pertinent governing bodies and department of the City of Cincinnati are able to get going on enacting reform.

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Adopt

2. MOTION, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, Vice Mayor Kearney, Councilmembers Landsman, Harris, Owens,

[202200163](#)

Parks, Jeffreys, Johnson and Cramerding, WE MOVE that the City Administration engage in a collaborative review of city housing incentives & zoning policies with the express purpose of matching incentives with Mayoral & Council priorities of increased housing development within the City of Cincinnati, specifically including mixed-income, workforce, and affordable housing developments. WE FURTHER MOVE that this review process should include stakeholder engagement sessions that are racially & economically diverse, including renters, homeowners, M/WBE developers, large developers, and tenant advocacy & assistance organizations, among others. Topics of review should include zoning reforms to remove barriers to new, high-quality housing and to pursue policies targeting our most lucrative tax incentives to mixed-income, workforce, and affordable developments.

Adopt

3. MOTION, submitted by Councilmember Harris, WE MOVE that the Administration provide a report within thirty (30) days outlining the number, neighborhood geography and Adjusted Median Income (AMI) range for new housing units that have come online in the City of Cincinnati for at least the last five (5) years. The administration shall take into consideration a variety of data sources, considering but not limited to: Building & Inspections, CAGIS, Cincinnati Waterworks, and other feasible and accurate sources. (STATEMENT ATTACHED).

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Adopt

4. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) dated 01/28/2022, submitted by Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor, AMENDING Ordinance No. 275-2017, as previously amended by Ordinance Nos. 339-2018 and 370-2020, regarding the commercial policies of Community Reinvestment Area real property tax exemptions, to (i) set a policy by which City Council authorizes the City Administration to approve the maximum Community Reinvestment Area real property tax exemption for projects awarded Low-Income Housing Tax Credits by the Housing Finance Agency without further approval by City Council; and (ii) clarify the eligible length of real property tax exemptions for commercial projects of historical or architectural significance in downtown Cincinnati.

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Recommend Passage

- Yes:**
- Councilmember Harris
 - Councilmember Owens
 - Vice Mayor Kearney
 - Councilmember Keating
 - Councilmember Camerding
 - Councilmember Jeffreys
 - Councilmember Parks
 - Councilmember Johnson

ADJOURNMENT