NEWBURGH HOUSING REPORT
UPDATE TO NEWBURGK CITY COUNCIL

October 22\textsuperscript{nd}, 2020
TODAY’S AGENDA

I. INTRODUCTIONS

II. PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF THE NEWBURGH HOUSING REPORT

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PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF THE NEWBURGH HOUSING REPORT

PURPOSE OF THE NEWBURGH HOUSING REPORT

➢ Evaluate pathways for better meeting Newburgh’s housing needs through coordinated changes in policies, programs, and regulations.

➢ Provide the City of Newburgh with a comprehensive housing policy framework that can be used to update the housing element of the City’s Comprehensive Plan

➢ Identify easy-to-implement actions that can improve housing and neighborhood conditions

➢ Create new partnerships and commitments that help build more inclusive, healthy, and economically vital neighborhoods

OUR SCOPE OF WORK

➢ Housing Needs Assessment

➢ Existing Policy Review

➢ Best Practice Research

➢ Policy Analysis

➢ Community & Stakeholder Engagement
FOUR NEEDS ASSESSMENT: APPROACH AND INITIAL FINDINGS

- **FIVE APPROACHES TO UNDERSTANDING CITY’S HOUSING NEEDS**
  - Coordination with City and County Departments
  - Attendance at Newburgh Housing Coalition Meetings
  - Analysis of Demographic, Housing, and Economic Data
  - Stakeholder Outreach
  - Resident Engagement [Community Listening Sessions, Online Survey]

- **INITIAL FINDINGS FROM ASSESSMENT**
  - High-quality housing that is code compliant, safe, and healthy
  - Housing that is affordable to all incomes
  - New multi-family rental housing & homeownership opportunities
  - Strong healthy neighborhoods with access to social services, community space, open space and economic opportunity.
HOUSING POLICY THEME I: BUILDING CONDITIONS

A. REFORM ADMINISTRATIVE CODE ENFORCEMENT PROCESS

B. REFORM JUDICIAL ENFORCEMENT PROCESS FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT

C. HELP BUILDING OWNERS REHAB THEIR BUILDINGS

D. EMPOWER TENANTS

E. BRING VACANT, DISTRESSED, AND TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTIES BACK INTO A STATE OF GOOD REPAIR
HOUSING POLICY THEME II: HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

A. ENSURE NEW DEVELOPMENTS PROVIDE A MIX OF PRICE POINTS

B. IDENTIFY FUNDING SOURCES TO DEVELOP AND PRESERVE AFFORDABLE HOUSING

C. PROTECT EXISTING SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING

D. REDUCE HOMEOWNER COSTS

E. REDUCE UTILITY COSTS

F. EVALUATE COST ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
A. Identify New Sites for Housing Development in Newburgh

B. Revise land use regulations to make it easier to build a variety of housing types

C. Support existing entities for housing development while supporting creation of new entities

D. Increase funding for new housing development

E. Make the development process easier for developers
HOUSING POLICY THEME IV: NEIGHBORHOOD VITALITY

A. REDUCE EVICTIONS

B. PRECLUDE DISCRIMINATION, PREVENT DISPLACEMENT, AND PROMOTE INTEGRATION

C. IMPROVE ACCESS TO SOCIAL SERVICES

D. IMPROVE HOMEOWNERSHIP ESPECIALLY AMONGST UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES

E. SUPPORT HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

F. ENSURE HOUSING SUPPORTS LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
NEXT STEPS

I. COMPLETE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT
   ▪ Distribute Housing Needs Survey
   ▪ Continue Stakeholder Interviews

II. DRAFT POLICY FRAMEWORK
   ▪ Refine Goals
   ▪ Conduct Research on Housing Strategies from Other Cities
   ▪ Prepare & Present Draft Housing Strategies
   ▪ Evaluate Draft Housing Strategies with Residents, City & County Representatives, & Housing Stakeholders

III. PREPARE NEWBURGH HOUSING REPORT
   ▪ Housing Needs Assessment
   ▪ Review of Existing Policies
   ▪ Proposed Policy Framework
   ▪ Record of Engagement