MADISON AD HOC AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

May 21, 2021

A meeting of the Ad Hoc Affordable Housing Plan Advisory Committee was conducted Friday May 21, 2021, at 8:30 a.m., remotely, using Zoom Videoconferencing. The public was invited to participate remotely by joining the meeting through a Zoom webinar link. Log-in details were posted to the Town of Madison website (https://www.madisonct.org/), prior to the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairwoman Sarah Mervine, Vice Chairwoman Erin Duques, Andrea Aron, Chad Greenlee, Mathew Keller, Rosalyn Fahey, and Peter Roos.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:

David Anderson, Cristal Depietro, Heather Noblin, David Fink (Guest Speaker)

1. Meeting Called to Order at 8:30 AM.

2. Minutes

Peter Roos made the Motion to approve the Minutes as written from 5/7/21, David Anderson seconded. Minutes approved by all members.

3. David Fink Discussion and Updates Committee on RKG Role

David Fink discusses the metrics regarding the need of affordable units in Madison. These metrics and statistics can be used to assess need.

- Number of "Cost Burden" households
- Housing Wage
- ALICE Study (# of units below survival budget)
- % of Madison households that are considered ALICE

David referenced a survey distributed in Guilford that may be a helpful document to the committee. RKG consulting will start efforts on July 1st. It has been made clear that RKG will draft a survey that will be distributed in Madison to help define target demographic and need of affordable units. Clear understanding that the committee should be involved in RKG's planning phase and surveying process to help promote a message of unity when facing the public.

4. Role of the Committee

Brief discussion amongst the committee that with RKG now on board our current role has shifted from planning to outreach. While waiting for RKG to draft and distribute survey the role of the committee is to learn, educate, and inform the community on the issues of affordable housing. David suggests that the committee begin to meet with developers to select potential sites for housing, also suggests a video to help with outreach efforts.

5. Next Steps

Discuss community outreach strategies. Committee to review the list of previously created stakeholders/interviewees. Sarah Mervine and Peter Roos to reach out to personal connections to start discussions with local developers.

6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:38 AM.

Respectfully Submitted, Chad Greenlee