

CITY OF AUSTIN

Anti-Displacement Task Force

DEC. 1, 2017

17-MEMBER TASK FORCE

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TASK FORCE KNOWLEDGE & EXPERTISE

- ❖ Housing and tenant advocates
- ❖ Non-profit housing development expertise
- ❖ Representatives of the development industry
- ❖ Affected persons who have experienced or are experiencing displacement
- ❖ Urban studies and planning expertise
- ❖ Experience in displacement and gentrification and experience implementing equitable inclusive development strategies
- ❖ Land use expertise
- ❖ Experience in historic preservation and landmarks, zoning, and development rights
- ❖ Housing finance expertise and experience in rental housing finance
- ❖ Neighborhood conditions expertise
- ❖ Experience in historic preservation
- ❖ Local government policy expertise
- ❖ Regularly policy expertise concerning development and housing

TASK FORCE CHARGE

Resolution No. 20170817-053: Review and recommend the specific strategies in five categories of action, which include:

1. Preserving and expanding the supply of affordable housing;
2. Controlling land for community development;
3. Preserving and growing small businesses and cultural assets;
4. Income and asset creation by providing needed services - childcare, transportation, a basic retail sector, access to health care, and employment opportunities - as a precondition for success; and
5. Financing strategies to provide community- specific ways to fund the other four categories of action.

The task force will commit to a 10-month process that will culminate in identifying sources of information that will reveal the depth of the problem in our communities, set metrics and goals, and give preliminary recommendations for displacement prevention.

Boards & Commissions Procedure

- ❖ Follow Texas Open Meetings Act
- ❖ To conduct meetings, Quorum 9
- ❖ Agendas published in advance of meeting
 - ❖ <http://www.austintexas.gov/department/boards-and-commissions>
- ❖ Meetings will be recorded and published for public access
- ❖ Back up materials will be archived to Web page

RESOURCES: DATA & COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

City Staff to compile the following available data:

- ❖ Increased home prices and rent
- ❖ Previously adopted Council Resolutions
- ❖ Housing losses due to demolition
- ❖ Condominium conversion
- ❖ Speculative sale, abandonment
- ❖ Indicators of housing loss and/or displacement drawing from available data

Staff exploring process for sharing and storing documents for efficient access to research

RESOURCES: RECOMMENDATIONS REVIEW

Office of the City Auditor to:

- ❖ Review all City work to date involving policy and program recommendations related to displacement and gentrification
- ❖ Determine Implementation Status
- ❖ Submit findings to the Task Force

RESOURCES: CONSULTING EXPERTISE

Resolution calls for consultation services to provide:

- ❖ Outside expertise to inform Task Force's work
- ❖ Research on displacement and gentrification strategies
- ❖ Tool box of policies and programs where anti-displacement tools have been proven as well as research of key issues affecting displacement

Services are being explored in partnership with the Mayor's Office and in coordination with a proposed January Forum

TASK FORCE REPORTING TIMELINE

Resolution Charge:

- ❖ Meet at least once a month for 10 months
- ❖ Progress report to community, Council after three months (March 2018)
- ❖ Preliminary Report to Council after Six Months (June 2018)
- ❖ Report back to the Council with a set of recommendations for consideration and possible adoption in August of 2018
- ❖ Expire upon completion of assigned tasks