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**Subject:** Housing Element Schedule

Dear Chairperson Williams and Commissioners,

I am writing in regard to Agenda Item 3: *Informational Item - 2023-2031 Housing Element Schedule*.

Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in on this matter.

It would seem axiomatic that the Planning Commission would be fully engaged throughout the Housing Element process. Not only are they the relevant policy committee on this matter, the City Council has undergone an almost complete turnover within the past six months. The Planning Commission serves as a critical bridge across what has necessarily been a long and drawn out process.

Furthermore, it is imperative that the public be given ample opportunity to weigh in on this process. Ensuring Planning Commission review of Staff findings and recommendations prior to presentation to the Council will enable greater public participation and allow enhanced opportunity for community buy-in to an otherwise opaque and arcane process.

Please ensure that the Staff revises the existing schedule in Attachment 1 so that it provides richer detail ensuring that the Planning Commission and the public are properly engaged throughout this process.

Sincerely,

Ted McKinnon