

Housing Authority response 7-22

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Hello,

I was trying to edit in the excel spreadsheet and nothing I did worked!

But here are my answers:

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The Housing Authority uses Fair Housing and Equity Assessment The FHEA examines regional demographics and patterns of racial and economic segregation to understand how activities, resources, and policies at the local and regional levels impact fair access to housing opportunity, including access to affordable housing

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Chapter 40R encourages cities and towns to zone for compact residential and mixed-use development in smart growth locations by offering financial incentives and increased control over design. This report examines how Massachusetts communities have used Chapter 40R since March of 2005 when the program was authorized.

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The Housing Authority follows The Housing Production Plan.

(HPP) is a municipality's proactive strategy for planning for new affordable housing stock to meet M.G.L Chapter 40B statute and regulations. Chapter 40B sets a 10% affordable housing goal for communities.

Those under this threshold can receive proposals for affordable housing developments that can be approved by Zoning Boards of Appeals (ZBA) under flexible zoning. Consisting of a housing needs and demand assessment, analysis of development constraints and opportunities, and housing goals and strategies to achieve them, HPPs serves as a guide for communities that are under the 10% threshold. Once the HPP is locally adopted and state approved, it can be certified by the Massachusetts of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) if the municipality demonstrates progress in in producing affordable housing. Having a certified HPP means the ZBA can deny a comprehensive permit for a specified period of time. DHCD provides guidelines for developing the Housing Production Plan