

One Dallas Options: Expansion of Mixed Income Housing Development Bonus

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Request



Consideration of amending the Dallas
 Development Code Chapter 51A-4.1100
 Mixed Income Housing, to support and align with the One Dallas Options Program within the City of Dallas Comprehensive Housing Policy.



Presentation Overview



- Background
- HHS Committee Meeting
- ZOAC Concerns
- Next Steps



Background



- Proposed amendments to Chapter 51A are part of a larger initiative supported by the City Manager to create a program called One Dallas Options.
 - Expands existing Mixed Income Housing Development Bonus (MIHDB) program.
 - Includes additional flexibility
- Council will review proposed changes to Ch. 51A, Ch. 20A, Ch. 52, and the Comprehensive Housing Policy (CHP) tentatively in February



HHS Concerns – Fee in Lieu



Concern

 Concerns related to amount of fee and the uses of the proposed One Dallas Fund.

- Objective is to set the fee at a level that preferences on-site reservation.
- Current amount under discussion is a sliding scale centered around \$10 / gross square foot of residential development
- Fee amount and uses of One Dallas Fund are still under discussion.



HHS Concerns - Voucher Use



Concern

 City should help to support voucher use by creating a master sublease program where City would lease units directly from property and sublease those units to voucher holders.

- Staff recommends adding this proposal to Housing's 2022 work plan.
- Note: A voucher sublease program would be completely separate from the proposed One Dallas Options program



HHS Concerns – Parking Reduction



Concerns

- The parking reduction bonus should only apply to properties with proximity to transit.
- Large parking reductions will lead to on-street parking.

- Bonus should apply to all properties in One Dallas Options.
- Reduction in required spaces allows developers to make nuanced decisions about parking in response to market conditions and specific project details.
- Funding saved with parking reductions can be used to provide housing.



ZOAC Concerns – Parking Reduction



Concern

 Parking required for bars, restaurants, and commercial amusement (excluded from parking reduction) might be used by residents, leading to customers parking in adjacent neighborhoods

Response

 Parking for excluded uses must be properly signed to ensure it is available for those uses.



ZOAC Concerns – Five Unit Minimum



Concern

• Five unit minimum discourages or eliminates participation by smaller projects.

- This would be counter to the intent of One Dallas Options.
- Staff recommends maintaining the 5% requirement and returning to a minimum of one unit.



ZOAC Concerns – Design Standards



Concern

 Additional design standards, such as urban form setbacks and lot coverage maximums, should be required for Type 3 developments.

Response

 Since Type 3 developments are PDs by definition, it is more appropriate for those specific design decisions to be made through the PD review process.



ZOAC Concerns – Historic Properties



Concern

Program should incentivize preservation of historic properties.

- Existing and proposed parking reductions incentivize redevelopment.
- If approved, all projects, including those in historic buildings, will be able to apply for funding from the One Dallas Fund.
- Staff recognizes that the design standards in Section 51A-4.1107 may hinder the redevelopment of historic properties and recommends the creation of an administrative exemption for these properties.



Next Steps - Tentative Schedule



- December 16 ZOAC today (potential recommendation to CPC)
- January 6 CPC (briefing)
- January 20 CPC (potential recommendation to Council)
- January 24 HHS briefing with action
- February 23, 2022 potential Council consideration and action



Links



- Chapter 51A Multifamily districts:
 - https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/dallas/latest/dallas_tx/0-0-0-29133
- Chapter 51A Mixed Use districts:
 - https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/dallas/latest/dallas_tx/0-0-0-31477
- Chapter 51A Mixed Income Housing:
 - https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/dallas/latest/dallas_tx/0-0-0-60833
- Chapter 20A-II:
 - https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/dallas/latest/dallas_tx/0-0-0-59791
- Comprehensive Housing Policy:
 - https://dallascityhall.com/departments/housing-neighborhood-revitalization/Pages/Comprehensive-housing-policy-2.aspx



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