

## **Residential Infill Project** Stakeholder Advisory Committee

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# New Schedule

- 3/1 Term sheets (standard lot scale)
- 3/15- Term sheets (narrow/attached scale)
- 4/5- Term sheets (lot confirmations)
- 4/19- Term sheets (alternative housing)
- 5/3 SAC reviews full package
- May-June Public review
- 7/12 SAC hears public feedback summary
- August PSC
- November City Council





## Scale of Houses Scenarios for Standard Lots

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# Scale of Houses Overview

- Charrette Takeaways
- "Term Sheets"
- Three Scenarios Standard Lots
  - 1. Revise Tools
  - 2. Add FAR limit
  - 3. Combination
- Preliminary Results
- Next Steps





# Charrette "Ingredients"



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# Height

- Revise method used for measuring height
- Allow for 2 story + attic
- Allow 3rd story if used for an accessory dwelling unit (ADU)
- Tie height to building setbacks
- Vary building height by area of the city







- Setbacks
- Link new construction setbacks to other homes on a block face.
- Make front setback equal to buildings on either side.
- Cumulative side setbacks (e.g. 3' min/10' combined).
- Link cumulative side setbacks to parking requirements.
- Relate setbacks to height or size of building.
- Cumulative front/rear setbacks.
- Require deeper front setback for tuck-under garages.
- Differentiate setbacks by neighborhoods or pattern areas.





# **Charrette Takeaways**



## Addressing Bulk

- Incent basements by excluding from Floor to Area Ratios (FAR).
- Use 'sliding-scale' FAR based on zone and/or lot size.
- Explore using building volume ratio.
- Link FAR of new construction to demolished building(s).
- Tie FAR to existing neighborhood FAR average.
- Use different bulk restrictions by neighborhoods or pattern areas.





# **Charrette Takeaways**



## Addressing parking

- Incent shared driveways, but increase minimum width.
- Increase frequent transit parking waiver from 500'.
- Prohibit new driveways within 50-feet of existing driveways.
- Discourage/encourage tuck-under garages.
- Allow/Prohibit parking within required 10-foot front setback.





# **Charrette Takeaways**



## Addressing parking

- Require use of alleys when non-required parking is provided.
- Explore parking exception if parking is provided elsewhere.
- Charge a fee for all curb cuts to non-required, off-street parking.
- Discourage/eliminate on-site parking.
- Consider alternatives for charging electric vehicles.





# **Developing Scenarios**

- Assemble ingredients into "bundles"
- Bundles represent thematic scenarios
- Scenarios inform "term sheets"







# **Term Sheets**

What are Term Sheets?

- A bullet-point document outlining the material terms and conditions of an agreement.
- After the term sheets have been adopted by City Council, they guide staff in the preparation of the proposed 'code amendment' package.





# Why use Term Sheets

Typical legislative process involves drafting initial code amendments with explanatory



The code is redrafted through the public engagement and hearings process, often requiring multiple revisions.





# Why Use Term Sheets

Zoning code text amendments are more difficult to read, digest, and understand.

#### 33.212207.010 Purpose

This chapter provides standards for the establishment of <del>bed and breakfast facilities</del> <u>accessory short-term rentals</u>. The regulations are intended to allow for a more efficient use of <del>large, older houses, certain types of residential structures in residential areas if the</del> neighborhood character is preserved to maintain both the residential neighborhood experience and the bed and breakfast experience. These regulations enable owners to maintain large residential structures in a manner which keeps them primarily in residential uses, and without detracting from neighborhood character. In some situations, the proprietor operator can take advantage of the scale and often the architectural andor historical significance of a residence. The regulations <u>also</u> provide an alternative form of lodging for visitors who prefer a residential setting.

33.212207.020 Description and Definitions

- A. <u>Description.Bed and breakfast facility</u>. An accessory short-term rentalbed and breakfast facility is one-where an individual or family resides in a <u>dwelling</u> <u>unithouse</u> and rents bedrooms to overnight guests for fewer than 30 days. <u>There</u> are two types of accessory short-term rental: <u>A bed and breakfast facility may also</u> have visitors and non-resident employees.
  - 1. Type A. A Type A accessory short-term rental is where no more than 2 bedrooms are rented to overnight guests.
  - Type B. A Type B accessory short-term rental is where 3 or more bedrooms are rented to overnight guests.

Like software coding, zoning code changes must be tested to ensure that there are no errors, broken links, or unintended results.





# **Term Sheet Example**

| STANDARD LOT         |   |   |  |  |  |
|----------------------|---|---|--|--|--|
|                      | EXISTING CODE                                     | SCENARIO 1  |  |  |  |
| Height               | 30' measured to midpoint                          | Reduce to 25' plus 5' for<br>5:12 min pitch roof  |  |  |  |
| Setbacks             | Front: 10'  | Front: Increase to 15'  |  |  |  |
|                      | Garage: 18'                                       | Garage: No change   |  |  |  |
|                      | Sides: 5'   | Sides: No change  |  |  |  |
|                      | Street Side: n/a                                  | Street side: 10' (new)  |  |  |  |
|                      | Rear: 5'  | Rear: increase to 15'   |  |  |  |
| Outdoor Area         | 250 s.f.<br>(min. 12'x12')                        | Increase to 375 s.f.<br>(min 15'x15')   |  |  |  |
| Building<br>Coverage | Sliding scale tied to lot size, generally 22-50%  | Reduce by 5%  |  |  |  |
| Parking              | 1 space per unit (except<br>w/in 500' of transit) | 1 space per unit (except<br>w/in 1000' of transit)<br>Restrict approach to 12'<br>on improved streets |  |  |  |
| Exceptions           | Adjustment review (Type II<br>~\$2,000)           | No change   |  |  |  |

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# Scenarios (Scale of Standard Houses)

- Existing Code as Default
- Scenario 1 Revise the standards
- Scenario 2 Introduce new FAR
- Scenario 3 Combo (new and revised tools)



# **Existing Code**

#### Ingredients: 250 s.f. Outdoor Area 45% Building Coverage 30' Height 5' Side NO CHANGE 5' Rear 10' NO CHANGE + 18' Garage 10' Front % NO CHANGE [BUILDING COVERAGE]



HEIGHT

SETBACKS

BULK

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# Scenario 1 - Revise Standards

Ingredients:



#### Height: 25'+5' bonus for pitched roof





# Scenario 1 - Revise Standards

- Larger front and rear yard setback (15')
- Increased outdoor area (375 s.f.)
- Reduced Building Coverage (40%)







# Scenario 2 - Introduce new FAR

Ingredients:







1 story (50% bldg. coverage) 2 story (25% bldg. coverage) 2 ½ story (20% bldg. coverage)





# Scenario 2 - Introduce new FAR





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# Scenario 2 - Introduce new FAR



#### Existing Average - FAR by Lot Size







#### Ingredients:



#### Height measurement



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- Match front setbacks
- 15' rear yard
- Increased outdoor area 15'x15' (375 s.f. min)







#### Height to building coverage ratio







#### Sliding scale side yard (wall height or area)





# Add-ons (not scenario-specific)

- Parking Increase transit buffer to 1000'
- Eaves/projections/articulation
- Main entrances reduce height or steepness
- Alternative path (contextual standards)





#### DRAFT Guiding Principles Residential Infill Project



# How did the scenarios perform?

| Guiding<br>Principles   | Existing Code | Scenario 1<br>Revise Tools | Scenario 2<br>Add FAR | Scenario 3<br>Combo |  |
|---|---------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--|
| Fit context   | 0             | $\Delta$                   |                       |                     |  |
| Provide diverse<br>housing  | 0             | _                          | _                     |                     |  |
| Adaptable<br>houses over time   | 0             | $\nabla$                   |                       |                     |  |
| Privacy, Sunlight,<br>Open Space,<br>Natural Features   | 0             |                            | $\Delta$              |                     |  |
| Resource<br>efficient   | 0             | $\Delta$                   | $\Delta$              | $\Delta$            |  |
| Housing<br>affordability  | 0             |                            |                       |                     |  |
| Economically feasible   |               | $\nabla$                   | $\nabla$              | $\nabla$            |  |
| Clear rules for development   |               |                            | $\Delta$              |                     |  |
| Key: Existing Code ● Supports, ● Allows ○ Does not support<br>Scenario ▲ Improves △ Slight improvement — No change ▽ Slight reduction ▼ Reduction |               |                            |                       |                     |  |





# Table Exercise

- 25 minutes questions:
- 1. Adjustments to the scenario components?
- 2. Test the draft guiding principles against your scenario. Would you change the score? Why?

- 5 minutes organize your thoughts
- 25 minutes table report back



