

Council Member Motion For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 22, 2025

То:	Committee of the Whole	Date:	May 16, 2025
From:	Councillor Krista Loughton and Councillor Dave Thompson		
Subject:	Affordable Non-Market Housing Data and Targets		

BACKGROUND

Each year, the City of Victoria's Sustainable Planning and Community Development department delivers a Housing Strategy Annual Review. These reports provide detailed summaries of annual and cumulative progress made to achieve the goals of the Victoria Housing Strategy and describe the City's ongoing efforts to meet current and future housing needs.

According to the Housing Strategy Annual Review for 2023, the City continues to fall behind in efforts to deliver housing for the most vulnerable. The review states, "This deficit in deeply affordable housing highlights the importance of sustained efforts to facilitate non-market housing through partnerships with senior levels of government and affordable housing providers."

Breaking down the data for non-market housing types and targets will help guide more effective advocacy to other levels of government to support people requiring nonmarket affordable housing and vulnerable people requiring very low-income housing.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council directs staff to break down the affordable housing needs as part of the Housing Strategy Annual Review for 2024 and set housing targets in the following categories:

Increase the Supply of new units approved for non-market median incomes and below - break this out into median, low-income, and very low-income housing types, e.g., below-market, rent-geared to income, shelter rate units, and transitional housing, and set targets for each category.

Focus on Renters *for new Affordable Non-Market Homes* - break this out into the various housing categories, e.g., below-market, rent-geared to income, shelter

rate units, supportive housing, and transitional housing, and set targets for each category.

Respectfully submitted,

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