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Housing Policies - Draft 1.0 Comment Summary Matrix

#	Topic(s)	Comment Summary	Source(s)	Staff Response for Draft 2
Housing Supply and Diversity				
1	Affordability	Want housing that artists can afford.	Arts and Culture Commission	The element emphasizes affordable housing and equity throughout policies.
2	Diversity	Explore support for cooperatives, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City-funded projects • Removing code barriers 	Arts and Culture Commission	Addressed in HO-20.
3	Multiplexes	Tension in HO-3 (affordability) and neighborhood character <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resistance to changes because people living in single-family neighborhoods are living there because of the existing character. • There is urgency to build multiplexes now and quickly, given that large single-family homes are being built today where multiplexes could be built. 	Redmond 2050 CAC	The adopted growth targets necessitate denser housing. Community character will be addressed in the Community Character and Historic Preservation element.
4	Multiplexes	Interest in geographic equity with respect to multiplex structures.	Planning Commission	Address mainly in HO-13 but also supported in other policies.
5	10-minute communities	Support for this concept.	Community	Addressed in HO-10.
6	Condos	Policies and actions that create more condominium housing units to provide more housing choices to the community.	Planning Commission	Addressed in HO-16.
Housing Locations				
7	Geographic equity	Discussion of "neighborhood" an appropriate scale for the pursuit of geographic equity.	Redmond 2050 CAC	Neighborhood kept as scale for some policy text for the purpose of removing barriers to various housing types, which occurs in the Neighborhoods Element of the Comprehensive Plan

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8	Multiplexes	Discussion of how multiplexes can be added equitably, e.g., considering geographic equity,	Redmond 2050 CAC	Addressed mainly in HO-13 but also supported in other policies.
Housing Tools and Processes				
9	Shelter	Remove any barriers for faith institutions and other community organizations hosting shelters.	Human Services Commission	Addressed in HO-17.
10	Levy	Discussion of appropriateness of including housing levy in comprehensive plan.	Redmond 2050 CAC	Addressed in HO-22 with text to create more flexibility for City.
11	Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avoid having design review be utilized to stop projects, which is not its purpose. • Flexibility can be valuable in producing different design outcomes. • Design standards are one tool to ensure that the new growth is developed in a manner to create livable communities, recognizing that there are a wide variety of architectural preferences in the community. 	Planning Commission	Addressed in HO-19.
Housing Justice				
12	Displacement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of whether policies to address, prevent, and remediate displacement are strong enough. • Discussion of City willingness to fund anti-displacement practices. • Discussion of what "advocating" for these families' housing experience looks like. 	Human Services Commission	HO-1 provides discussion and examples. Topics that are more specific are not appropriate for a high-level comprehensive plan policy.
13	Funding	Discussion of funding sources to accomplish policy goals; suggestion of policy mandate to fund policy goals.	Redmond 2050 CAC	Addressed with some additional funding context to the narrative of the element. Some policies have clear direction
14	Fairness	Interest in ensuring that City will ensure fair housing practices are followed.	Human Services Commission	Fair Housing is directly addressed in HO-16 and HO-2.

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15	Element organization	If ordering sections by importance, justice should be first.	Human Services Commission	Policy sections and policies are not intended to be ordered by importance. However, City intent and reader interpretation are not necessarily the same. So, the justice policy section has been moved to be first.
16	Services	Concern about lack of programmatic services, shelters, etc., in Housing element.	Human Services Commission	Shelters are addressed in the Housing Element and programmatic services will be addressed in Human Services Element.
17	Rent control	Concern about impact of rent control on business.	Community	"Rent control" language has been removed from policy language, but protections for tenants is present in policy language.

Housing and the Environment

18	Energy	Require benchmark tracking for building energy performance.	Community	Addressed in HO-26
19	Trees	Concern about removal of tree text in N-NR-45.	Community	Tree text added back to N-NR-45.
20	Sustainability	Interest in expanding HO-17 to include water conservation and renewable energy.	Planning Commission	Addressed in HO-24. In addition, expansive language added to include considerations not explicitly listed.

Housing Partnerships and Regional Collaboration

21	Art	Integrate art into larger housing developments. Consider incentives, requirements.	Arts and Culture Commission	Addressed in HO-18
22	Regional work	Share successes and challenges with other entities to increase regional knowledge and increase collaborative efficiencies.	Planning Commission	Addressed in HO-15

Other

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23	Multifamily housing land use designation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LU-36 is very technical. There is a “chicken and the egg” situation because transit is most appropriate around denser development, but denser development is more appropriate around frequent transit. • LU-36 (policy for where multifamily should be allowed): may not go far enough 	Redmond 2050 CAC	Expanded LU-36.
24	Trees	Concern growth may significantly decrease tree canopy.	Community	Addressed in HO-27.
25	Shelters	Concern shelters may decrease public safety.	Community	Required to allow the shelters by state law. Public safety will be addressed by components outside the scope of the Housing Element.
26	Terms	Interest in clear, consistent terminology understandable to readers. Add illustrations or renderings where appropriate.	Planning Commission	Glossary will be updated and consistent.