# Affordable Housing Fiscal Year 2023 Mid-Year Report

(July 1 – December 31, 2022)





#### **AGENDA**

1) Current Landscape

2) FY23 Report and Project Highlights

3) What's Ahead







#### Benchmark Year for Affordable Housing

- Expanding affordable housing incentives
- Allocating most funding ever in a single year
- Reaching key milestones on development projects
- Increasing community support for affordable housing
- Attracting strong partners
- Leveraging new funding sources
- Key stakeholders acknowledging role in addressing need

#### Pivotal Point in Town Affordable Housing Work



#### Strategy for Addressing Affordable Housing Need



Fund Affordable Housing Projects



Initiate Development & Preservation



Own & Manage Housing



Create & Implement Housing Policies

# Affordable Housing Funding

■ \$10 million allocated to support affordable housing in first half of year









### Northside Neighborhood Initiative

- 42 permanently affordable homes created to date
- More than 60 homes have been repaired
- Seeing first increase in families and African American population in decades







### Town-Funded Development Projects

- Perry Place nearing construction completion
- Weavers Grove preparing to begin vertical construction this spring





### Development on Town Land

- Trinity Court awarded 9% LIHTC, expected to break ground this summer
- Homestead Gardens received ~\$3M in Town funding
- Council approved 8-9 acres for affordable housing on Legion Road
- Jay Street submitted preliminary 9% LIHTC application



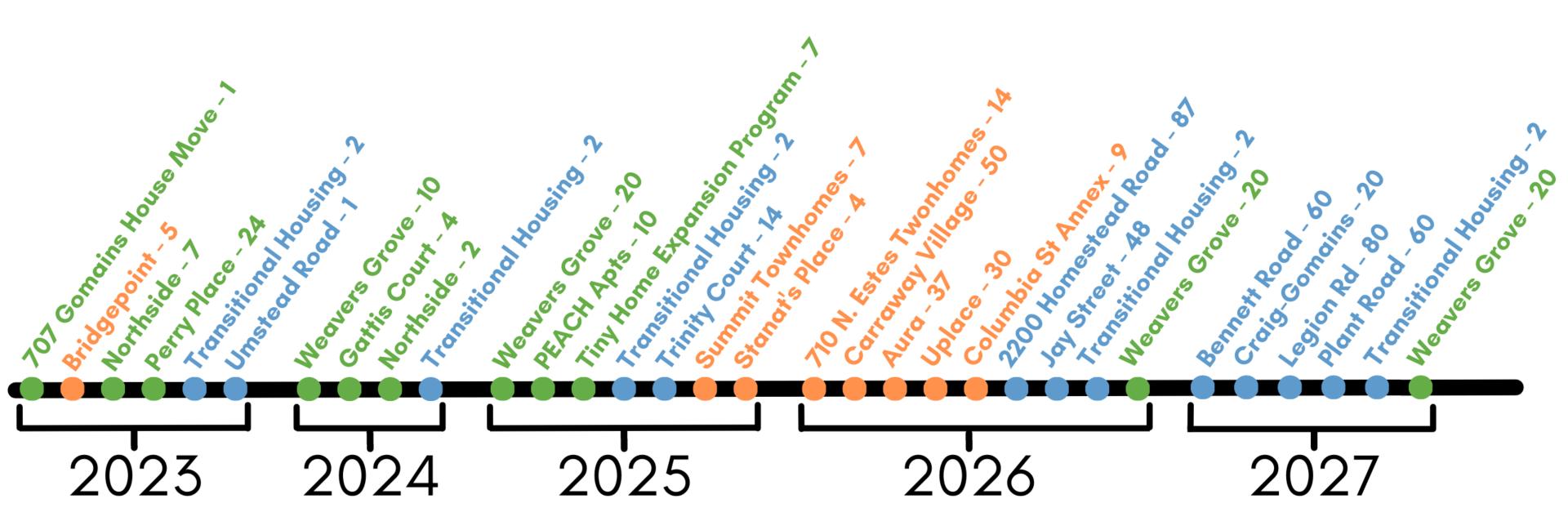




#### **Affordable Housing Project Pipeline**



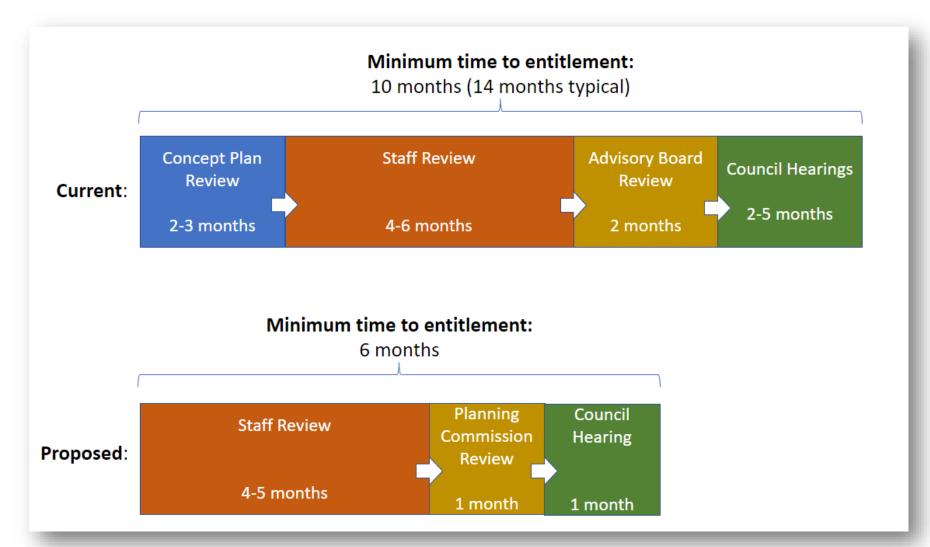
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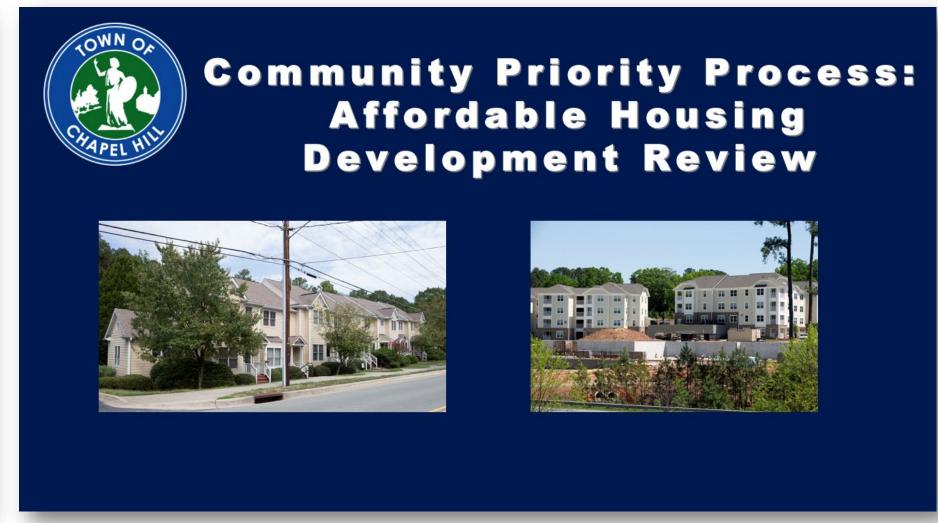


- Town Initiated
- Partner Project
- Inclusionary Housing

# Affordable Housing Development Review

- LUMO text amendment approved for Community Priority Process
- Projects with at least 25% affordable units are eligible for a maximum 6-month rezoning process.







### Affordable Homes Approved

- 18 affordable townhomes approved in 2 market rate projects
- Under Review:
  - 6 proposed market-rate projects
  - 165+ affordable homes being proposed





## **Employee Housing**

- 11 employees have received assistance to date
  - 5 since program updates in 2022
- % of employees living in Town has increased

# **Employee Housing Incentive Program**





Looking to Own a Home in Chapel Hill?

Apply for up to \$12,500 in down payment and closing cost assistance.

Looking to Rent in Chapel Hill?

Apply for up to \$4,200 for deposits, fees, and future rent.

#### Eligibility Criteria

- Permanent employee of the Town of Chapel Hill
- Housing is within 5 miles of Town limits
- · Meet certain income requirements



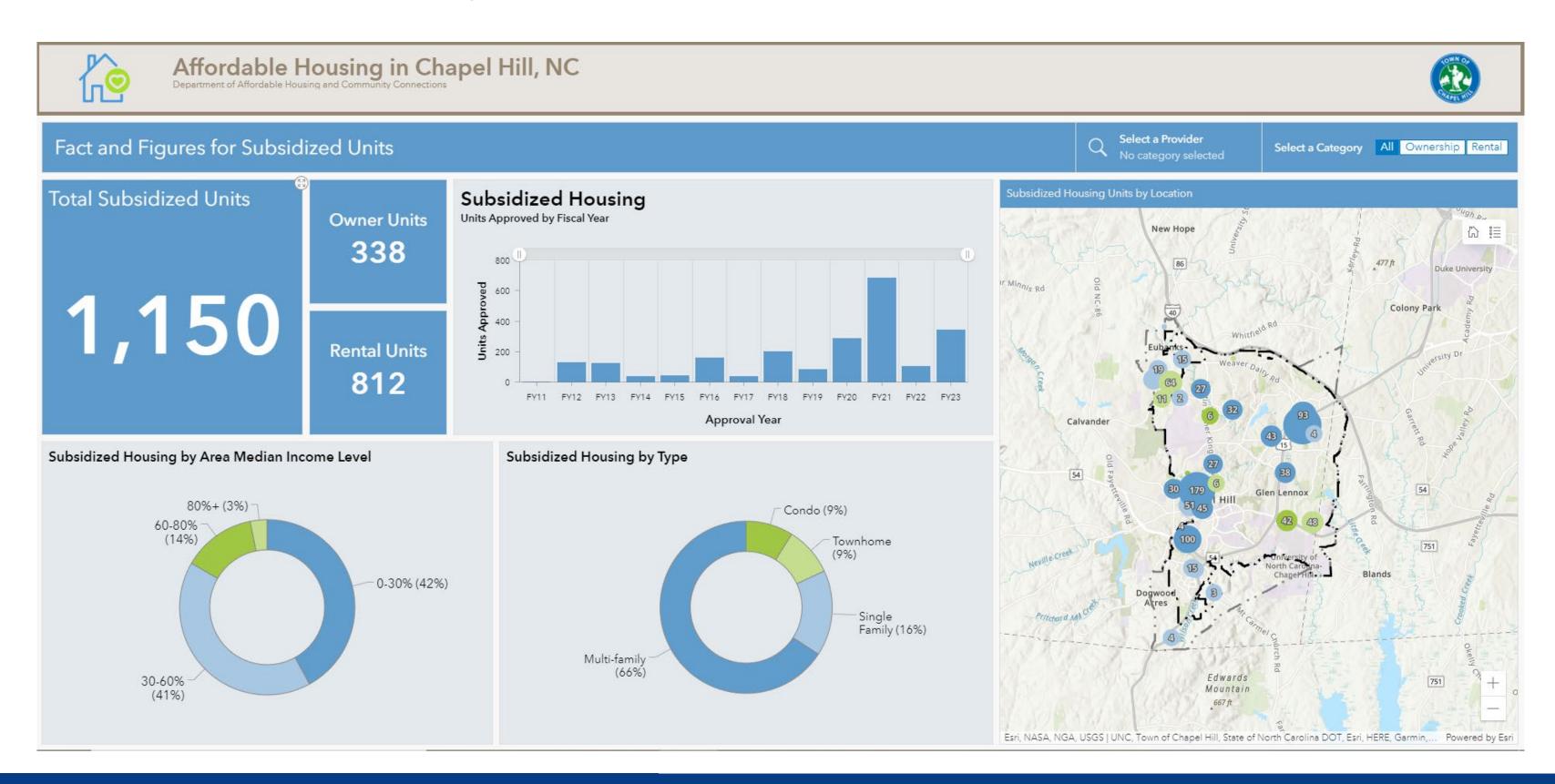








#### Dashboard 2.0





### Affordable Housing Plan Update

- Incorporate existing strategies, data, reports, and Work Plan into comprehensive plan for next 5 years
- Identify new approaches to addressing need

Include an investment strategy to comprehensively address Town

affordable housing needs moving forward



#### What's Ahead

- 1. Perry Place to be completed in coming weeks
- 2. Continue making progress on Town-initiated development projects
- 3. Implement Transitional Housing Sustainability Plan
- 4. Update our Affordable Housing Plan and Investment Strategy
- 5. Approve Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan



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#### Pivotal Point in Town Affordable Housing Work

#### The Moment

- Significant housing needs
- Market has changed
- Largest affordable housing sources depleted

#### Planning for the Future

- Continue to build on past successes
- Identify new approaches to addressing need
- Create investment plan to resource the strategies identified

#### Projected Affordable Housing and Homelessness Funding Gap

