

City of Dallas

Development Services and Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization Affordable Housing Team

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### **Presentation Overview**



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### Purpose



- Facilitate affordable housing developments through the City of Dallas' permitting process
- Streamline the affordable housing permitting processes
- Create partnerships between City staff and affordable housing developers
- Centralize new single-family affordable housing resources
- Develop checks and balances during the permitting process



# **Current Challenges**



- Rezoning is a 9–12-month process
- Legal Build Site and/or Platting takes 9-12 month to complete
- Projects in the flood plain
- Lack of water and wastewater infrastructure
- Transition, communication, demolition, park land fees, or hand-off between Departments
- Lack of permitting process familiarity



### Recommendations



- City liaisons under one roof approach with assigned project coordinator (DSD, PUD, DFR, DWU, HOU)
- Incorporate preliminary plan review/permitting meetings
- Proactively start process of platting, rezoning, street access, and examining project sites for development suitability for City owned parcels
- Proactive Meet and Greet sessions with Developers for feedback and input



## Recommendations

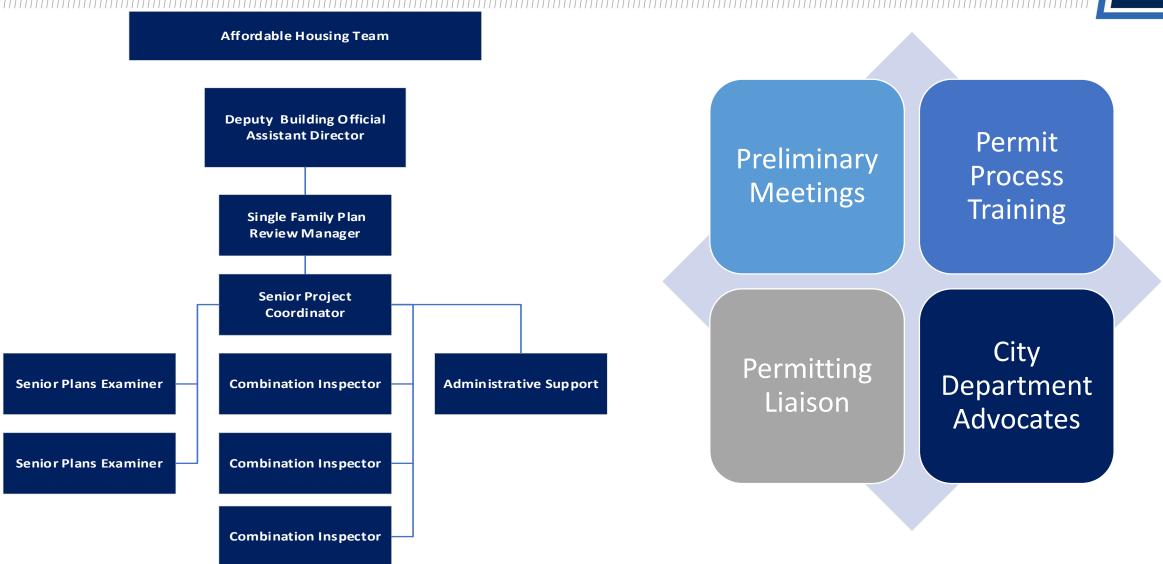


- Create a Development Services Department (DSD)
   Affordable Housing Team (January 31, 2023)
- Facilitate and proactively partner with developers
- DSD liaisons and subject matter experts
- Track project/metrics
  - Identify all project barriers and resolve thru the dedicated team
  - Align with Racial Equity Plan



### Recommendations





### **Metrics**



- Currently 497 Affordable Housing projects are in the permitting pipeline (As of March 15, 2023)
  - Cancelled: 18 (Applicant did not keep appointment)
  - In Review: 10
  - Issued: **49**
  - Not Applied: 383 (Identified by the Housing Department but permits have not been submitted to DSD)



#### **Metrics**



- DSD to meet with Affordable Housing Developers on a quarterly basis
- Schedule preliminary building permit meetings with applicants within 5 business days after properties have been acquired
- Prescreen and review submitted building permits applications within 5 business days after complete submittal to DSD
- Perform scheduleing building inspections on time 98% of the time
- Proactively assess all 497 properties for required platting, water, and sewer utility availability in the next 90 days



## **Next Steps**



- Launched Affordable Housing Team in January 31, 2023
- Meet and Greet with City Departments and Affordable Housing Developers each quarter in FY2023
  - First meeting will be hosted in April/May 2023
- Identify opportunities to support proactive replatting of City owned parcels (2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of FY2023) or exemptions
- Track ongoing permitting prescreen, reviews, and inspection metrics for FY2023 and report to Economic Committee on quarterly basis

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