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RESOLUTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRANSFORMATIONAL TASK FORCE

June 28, 2021

WHEREAS, in March of 2021, the federal government enacted the "American Rescue Plan Act of 2021" (federal act) to provide support to state, local, and tribal governments in responding to the impact of COVID-19 and to assist them in their efforts to contain the effects of COVID-19 on their communities, residents, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, during the 2021 legislative session, the General Assembly adopted House Bill 21-1329, concerning the use of money the state receives from the federal act to make investments in housing to assist persons disproportionately impacted by the Covid-19 public health emergency facing housing insecurity; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 21-1329 directs the Executive Committee of the Legislative Council to, by resolution, create a task force to meet during the 2021 interim; and

WHEREAS, the task force must issue a report with recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor on policies to create transformational change in the area of housing using money the state receives from the federal act;

WHEREAS, House Bill 21-1329 permits the task force to include nonlegislative members and have working groups created to assist them and to hire a facilitator to guide the work of the task force; now, therefore

Be it resolved by the Executive Committee of the Legislative Council of the Seventy-third General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

(1) That, pursuant to the authority set forth in Section 24-75-229, Colorado Revised Statutes, there is hereby created the Affordable Housing Transformational Task Force (Task Force), to issue a report with recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor on policies to create transformational change in the area of behavioral health using money the state receives from the federal act. The Task Force consists of 16 members appointed no later than Friday, July 16, 2021, as follows:

- (a) Three members of the Senate, appointed by the Senate President;
- (b) Two members of the Senate, appointed by the Senate Minority Leader;
- (c) Three members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
- (d) Two members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the House Minority Leader;
- (e) The Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Local Affairs, or their designee;
- (f) The Director of the Division of Housing within the Department of Local Affairs, or their designee;
- (g) The Director of the Division of Local Government within the Department of Local Affairs, or their designee;
- (h) The Director of the Division of the Office of Homeless Initiatives within the Department of Local Affairs, or their designee;
- (i) The Executive Director of the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority, or their designee; and
- (j) The Executive Director of the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade, or their designee.

(2) That the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint the Task Force Chair and the President of the Senate shall appoint the Task Force Vice-Chair.

(3) That the Task Force shall meet up to ten times during the 2021 interim.

(4) That the legislative members of the Task Force shall be reimbursed for expenses and shall receive per diem payment for attendance at meetings of the Task Force.

(5) That if nonlegislative members of the Task Force are not eligible for reimbursement from any other source, that the General Assembly will reimburse nonlegislative members of the Task Force for reasonable expenses related to their service on the Task Force. Nonlegislative members of the Task Force are not eligible for per diem.

(6) That the Task Force shall approve recommendations and the final report of the Task Force by a majority vote of all members of the Task Force.

(7) That, pursuant to the authority set forth in Section 24-75-229, Colorado Revised Statutes, there is hereby created the Affordable Housing Transformational Task Force Subpanel (Subpanel), to meet during the 2021 legislative interim to make recommendations to the Task Force on policies to create transformational change in the area of housing using money the state receives from the federal act. The Subpanel consists of 15 members appointed no later than Friday, July 23, 2021, as follows:

(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint the following members:

(I) One member representing a land trust;

(II) One representative with knowledge of developing affordable, accessible, integrated housing for people who are aging or have disabilities;

(III) One person with expertise in homelessness, experience administering support to homeless individuals, or other relevant experience related to homelessness and continuum of care;

(IV) One member representing a non-profit advocacy group with an expertise on low- and moderate-income housing issues; and

(V) One member representing workers.

(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint the following members:

(I) One member representing a local housing authority;

(II) One person with expertise in homelessness, experience administering support to homeless individuals, or other relevant experience related to homelessness and continuum of care;

(III) One member with expertise in non-profit housing development;

(IV) Two representatives of local government, one representing a city and one representing a county; and

(V) A representative of organization focused on the deployment of factory-built housing.

- (c) The Minority Leader of the Senate shall appoint the following members:
- (I) One member representing an organization with a knowledge of the real estate market and transactions; and
 - (II) One member with expertise in for-profit housing development.
- (d) The Minority Leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint the following members:
- (I) One member representing an organization focused on the interests of property managers and landlords; and
 - (II) One member representing an organization involved in financing the development of housing.
- (8) That the President of the Senate shall appoint the Subpanel Chair and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint the Subpanel Vice-Chair.
- (9) That the Subpanel shall meet up to 16 times during the 2021 legislative interim.
- (10) That the Subpanel shall make recommendations to the Task Force for review, consideration, and approval by the Task Force.
- (11) If Subpanel members are not eligible for reimbursement from any other source, that the General Assembly will reimburse members of the subpanel for reasonable expenses related to their service on the subpanel. Members of the subpanel are not eligible for per diem.
- (12) That Task Force members may participate in Subpanel meetings in a nonvoting capacity and are eligible for per diem and expenses for attendance as outlined above in sections (4) & (5).
- (13) That members of the Task Force and Subpanel may participate in meetings remotely, including voting.
- (14) That state departments and agencies with relevant information shall provide assistance and information to the Task Force and Subpanel upon request.
- (15) That staff from the legislative service agencies shall provide support to the Task Force and Subpanel, subject to the provisions of the request for information issued for facilitation services.
- (16) That a facilitation firm shall be hired by the Executive Committee to help manage, coordinate and support the work of the Task Force and Subpanel, no later than Monday, July 26, 2021.
- (17) That the Housing Transformational Task Force and Subpanel may collaborate as needed with the Behavioral Health Transformational Task Force and Subpanel.

(18) That the Task Force shall finalize recommendations no later than January 11, 2022, and that a report on the recommendations of the Task Force shall be submitted to the General Assembly and the Governor no later than January 21, 2022.

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