



# Richfield Housing Visioning Task Force

## Workshop #7

June 4, 2013

# Workshop #7: Tuesday, June 4, 2013



- Agenda:
  1. Review the Task Force's Assignment
  2. Responses to fellow Task Force members  
Vision Statements
  3. Discuss and reach consensus about themes  
and common objectives
  4. Review and discuss a Draft Vision Statement

# Task Force Purpose



***Create and recommend a  
community housing vision for the  
City of Richfield***

# Community Housing Vision



A cohesive **statement** describing positive future **housing characteristics and outcomes** that the City of Richfield aspires to achieve.

# Vision Implementation?



- Depending on the vision its implementation could require:
  - Amendments to the comprehensive plan
  - Zoning changes – both map and regulations
  - New policies
  - Investments – infrastructure, amenities, redevelopment, public realm improvements
  - Collaboration with the private sector, other jurisdictions

# Task Force Role



- This task force is not being asked to recommend how to implement the vision
- The housing vision recommended by this task force will be reviewed by the City Council and HRA and they may ask other advisory groups to review and comment.
- It could be modified before it is adopted

# Common Themes



- A full range of housing choices available to meet residents needs at every stage of their lives
- A healthy balance of housing types meets the needs of a diverse population
- The City's legacy of commitment to housing maintenance, rehabilitation and redevelopment results in an attractive, desirable and prosperous community

# Themes continued



- Housing types and styles support healthy, walkable and amenity rich neighborhoods
- Great housing choices in desirable neighborhoods support excellent schools and strong local businesses
- Formerly “tired” and market obsolete areas have been transformed into vital mixed-use neighborhoods with excellent public realm improvements and community gathering places



# Themes continued



- Major redevelopment areas (Lyndale Gardens) have been maximized to the community's benefit
- The housing stock reflects the community's commitment to sustainability and healthy living
- Richfield's housing and neighborhoods are important parts of why residents take pride in living there and its image and reputation are strong throughout the region.

# Themes continued



- Community housing contributes to vital and desirable neighborhoods that welcome diversity while maintaining a comfortable small town atmosphere

# Common Objectives



- Community – build and maintain
- Identity and reputation – improve
- Image and community character – improve
- Mixture of housing types and values – overcome and avoid concentrations of single types or styles
- Amenities – support neighborhoods
- Full life cycle housing – match resident choices

# Draft Vision Statement



**Richfield is a community that is known for its strong, vital and eclectic, amenity rich neighborhoods supported by a full range of housing types that match the choices of its diverse residents at every stage of their lives.**

# Draft Vision Statement



<b>Richfield is</b>	(already achieved)
<b>a community</b>	(key focus)
<b>that is known for</b>	(reputation, pride)
<b>its strong, vital and eclectic, amenity rich neighborhoods</b>	(healthy, prosperous, sought after)
<b>supported by</b>	(housing as a means to the end of strong neighborhoods)
<b>a full range of housing types</b>	(self-explanatory)
<b>that match the choices of its diverse residents</b>	(Richfield offers what residents need and want)
<b>at every stage of their lives.</b>	(residents needn't to move out of Richfield as their lives change)

# Draft Vision Statement



**Richfield is a sustainable community that is known for its strong, vibrant and eclectic, amenity rich neighborhoods supported by a full and balanced range of housing types that match the choices of its diverse residents at every stage of their lives.**