

**City of Medford
2012 Comprehensive Plan Update**

Element: Housing

Description: A compilation of the tools to provide an adequate housing supply to meet existing and future housing demands. Included in this element would be things like age, value, housing stock, and occupancy characteristics. The term “housing” may be applied to traditional single-family detached residential structures as well as multi-family units (including duplexes and townhouses), manufactured homes, and accessory apartments. The term also refers to owner-occupied units as well as rental, cooperative, and condominium ownership agreements. It also serves as a conduit to developers.

Committee Members: Chair Jason Wanke, Becky Brost, Laura Holmes, Angie Rothmeier, and City Assessor Mike Schnautz.

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Short Term Plan Suggestions (0 to 5 Years)

Suggestion	Responsibility	Completed	In Progress	Comment(s)
Semi-annually update the Medford Area Chamber of Commerce web site with regards to the following:				
1. An inventory and availability of vacant lots in the City, and contact information.				The Medford Area Chamber of Commerce has trained all local realtors on a new State site (www.locateinwi.com). All sites and demographics are currently being uploaded to this site. Realtors and the Medford Area Chamber of Commerce can access and add to this site. A link to this site from the Chamber’s web site will be provided.
2. An inventory and availability of senior housing in the City, and contact information.				
3. An inventory and availability of multi-family housing in the City, and contact information.				
4. An inventory and availability of short-term housing in the City, and contact information.				
5. Information on housing rehabilitation loans, grants, and programs. (Examples: Block Grants, Housing Authority, Low Interest Loans, Weatherization Programs, etc.)				

Medium Term Plan Suggestions (6 to 10 Years)

Suggestion
Continue the development in the Eagle Ridge subdivision.
Earmark land for future residential development.

Long Term Plan Suggestions (11 Years Plus)

Suggestion
Assess the feasibility of developing multi-level housing to utilize limited space, i.e., “looking ahead-looking up”. With the lack of space, high rises take advantage of vertical space.