



MEMORANDUM

TO: Planning Commission
FROM: Brett Lenart, Planning Manager
DATE: October 17, 2023
SUBJECT: **HUD PRO Housing Grant Application – Letter of Support**

Attached is a proposed letter of support for consideration by the Planning Commission to support City staff's effort to submit an application to HUD for PRO Housing grant funds later this month.

The proposed grant is currently being shared publicly via web (<https://www.a2gov.org/departments/Housing/Pages/default.aspx#notice>), public hearings and conversations with numerous stakeholders, including the Ann Arbor Housing Commission and the City of Ypsilanti as potential partners.

You will note general categories for this grant work are referenced in the attached letter. Examples of potential grant support could include:

- Identifying and development amendments to address development review and/or zoning barriers to the development of housing.
- Support for those recommendations that are resulting from the completion of the Comprehensive Planning process to be implemented and shared with other communities as available tools to advance housing development.
- Financial support for the development of affordable housing.

It is requested that the Planning Commission consider the following motion to authorize Commissioner Wyche to execute the attached letter in support of an application for these funds to HUD:

I move that the Planning Commission supports the application of the City of Ann Arbor for PRO Housing Funds and authorizes the Secretary to sign the letter on behalf of the Planning Commission.

If there is any additional information I can provide, please contact me at blenart@a2gov.org.