

HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT QUESTIONS/CONCERNS/SUGGESTIONS
Comments Howie Rosenfeld

Suggest adding wording regarding everyone island/countywide benefitting from urbanization of UGAs to justify some form of financial support.

1. Concern that Home Trust/other CLTs land is assessed at market rate when their value is contractually (legally?) lower, resulting in unrealistic tax rate..
2. Peg Manning claim that “GMA does not require the provision of affordable housing”, true or not? Can we just claim adequacy and get compliance?
3. Is there any current provision for “density bonuses” for affordable housing? Is this a good tool?
4. Mike Bertrand’s question: How Co. will direct growth into Town? Goal or will there be policies?
5. If Co. directs growth into the Town/UGAs, what is the Co.’s responsibilities to financially or otherwise support the costs of this growth?
6. Lisa Byer’s amendment suggestions?
7. The Islands Trust relies heavily on accessory dwelling units to supply affordable housing. Follow their lead?
8. Are we the only Co. in state without a housing authority?
9. What is it we can do that we’re not already doing? Are we limited to a Housing Authority? Other options?
10. Clarification that there is no possible residency qualification to get housing authority residence? Can the housing authority board limit the number of units to match local demand as a strategy?