

Housing Task Force
Development Subcommittee
Conference Room "U"

August 8, 2006
1:00 p.m.

Members Present: Craig Ustler, Chairperson
Joyce Savage-Gaston
Owen Beitsch

Staff Present: Lelia Allen, Housing Director
Marsha Segal-George, Interim Deputy CAO
Frances DeJesus, Housing Coordinator
Joyce Sellen, Project Manger

Members had a lengthy discussion concerning the role of the Development Committee. They believe that the current housing issue in the Orlando community is a function of the need to build enough units to meet the demand.

Discussion included consideration of the following:

- Does the city offer adequate incentives
- What type of housing is required
- Having inhabitants of the housing to share the cost
- Looking at how the city can underwrite risk, e.g., providing community infrastructure
- What is needed to supply housing units in a manner that can be accomplished by developers.
- The availability of capital in and of itself is not a deterrent to the production of housing

The committee concluded that its mission should be to:

- Develop a pragmatic approach to develop units that will incorporate input from the regulatory and finance subcommittees.
- Work with, and gain input from developers

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.