

Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

Costs to implement the recommendations cannot be determined at this time. As specific projects are developed, additional funds may need to be appropriated and will require Common Council approval at that time.

Title

SUBSTITUTE - Accepting the Interim Report: "Demographic Change and the City of Madison: Findings of the Common Council Legislative Agenda Work Group on Demographic Change and Recommendations for Action" and approving a plan for implementing recommendations therein.

Body

WHEREAS, the Common Council adopted a 2013-2014 Legislative Agenda to focus on policy issues important to the City of Madison; and,

WHEREAS, the Council formed the Common Council Legislative Agenda Work Group on Demographic Change to develop and implement policies to address the affects of shifting demographics; and,

WHEREAS, Madison's increasing demographic diversity is a strength to be celebrated; and,

WHEREAS, the work group submitted its mid-term report and recommendations to the Common Council,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council accepts the interim report "Demographic Change and the City of Madison: Findings of the Common Council Legislative Agenda Work Group on Demographic Change and Recommendations for Action"; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council, working with the Mayor's Office, relevant committees and community partners, shall take steps to implement the following recommendations:

- Increase affordable multi-family housing options for seniors with an emphasis on pedestrian and transit acess; Support the development of a housing project for seniors designed for public transit and pedestrian access with a portion of affordable units; and
- Conduct a livability assessment in partnership with neighborhood communities facing multiple barriers to opportunity in support of the onging efforts to assess equity; for each aldermanic district and fund projects in each district based on the results; and
- Strengthen career opportunities for disadvantaged Madison youth ages 16-24 through both City of Madison internship programs and community partnerships, with a special focus on youth of color, youth with disabilities and low-income youth; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Common Council Legislative Agenda Work Group on Demographic Change and the Common Council Legislative Analyst will present the recommendations directly to relevant City of Madison committees and community partners to inform decision makers; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Common Council Legislative Analyst, working with the Common Council Legislative Agenda Work Group on Demographic Change, the Mayor's Office and city staff, will provide a report back to Council on the progress toward implementing the recommendations by January 2015.