



MINUTES OF THE HOUSING POLICY AND RESOURCE COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, September 18, 2025, 5:30 p.m.
Conference Room 1C
777 B Street, Hayward, CA 94541
HYBRID PARTICIPATION

CALL TO ORDER

The Housing Policy and Resource Committee meeting was called to order by Mayor Salinas at 5:37 p.m. The meeting was conducted consistent with Assembly Bill 2449. The Committee meeting was held in Conference Room 1C and virtually via Zoom.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Council Member Goldstein
Council Member Syrop
Mayor Salinas

Absent:

OTHER PARTICIPANTS

Mary Thomas, Assistant City Manager; Sara Buizer, Director of Development Services; Christina Morales, Deputy Director of Development Services; Leigha Schmidt, Principal Planner/Acting Housing Manager; Ayush Patel, Management Analyst I; Nallely Campos, Community Program Specialist; Natasha Gonzalez, Senior Secretary; Asher Kohn, M Group; Luis Santos, Eden Youth Center; Tamiko Johnson, Alameda County Department of Health, Tobacco Control Program; Tracey Andrews, Alameda County Public Health, Tobacco Control Program.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

Reports / Action Items

1. Work Session Regarding Development of an Ordinance Prohibiting Smoking in a Multi-Family Attached Housing

Development Services Director, Sara Buizer, introduced the work session on the Smoke-Free Multi-Family Unit Ordinance and turned the presentation over to Principal Planner/Acting Housing Manager, Leigha Schmidt. Ms. Schmidt delivered a PowerPoint presentation

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outlining a proposed ordinance that would prohibit smoking in multi-family residential developments.

The following individuals spoke during public comments:

Aero Regacho, Hayward Resident; Isela Velasquez, Hayward Resident; Diana Mejia, Hayward Resident; Aaron Gacho, Hayward Resident; Ana Pineda, Hayward Resident; Gladys Rodriguez, Hayward Resident; Bribeth Marroquin, Hayward Resident; Miki Hong, researcher at Northeastern at Mills College; Jay McCubbrey, community organizer.

Mayor Salinas, Councilmember Goldstein, and Councilmember Syrop shared their thoughts in support of the ordinance that will prohibit smoking in Multi-family Housing, and directed staff to explore an active code enforcement approach to the ordinance in partnership with Alameda County Department of Health Tobacco Control Program.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

March 19, 2026

- Let's House Hayward Update
- 2026 State Legislative Updates (if applicable)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REFERRALS

Deputy Director Morales announced that the City of Hayward officially received a Prohousing Designation from the State Department of Housing and Community Development, which makes Hayward eligible for Prohousing Incentive grants.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Syrop adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.