

Board of Directors

Meeting date: October 21, 2026

Agenda Item #: 10

Discussion of the Regional Housing Strategy

Agenda item type: Action item

Summary

Acceptance of the Regional Housing Strategy.

Background

Metro Vision, which was most recently updated and unanimously adopted by the Board of Directors in 2017, provides clear guidance on housing, with a vision that diverse housing options meet the needs of residents of all ages, incomes and abilities, and recognizes that housing needs may differ by age, life stage, changes in familial status, household size, income or ability. Given this foundation within DRCOG's long-range plan, the DRCOG Board made the strategic decision to pursue a [Regional Housing Needs Assessment](#) when considering the appropriate role and methods for pursuing regional housing work. The Regional Housing Needs Assessment, formally accepted by the DRCOG Board of Directors in October of 2024, articulates the scale and scope of the region's housing need, includes a comprehensive data analysis, and identifies the systemic barriers to addressing housing need in our region.

DRCOG initiated the [Regional Housing Strategy](#) in February 2025. The Regional Housing Strategy is the second step in DRCOG's approach to assessing housing need and developing regionally scaled strategies to address the need across our region. Led by a project steering committee and advisory group, the purpose of this effort is to develop consensus and capacity for regionally scaled policies, programs, and initiatives that will support our region in addressing housing need. The Regional Housing Strategy will also serve as a framework for coordinating housing and transportation planning in order to leverage the region's current and future investments.

The request before the DRCOG Board is to accept the [Regional Housing Strategy](#) as a framework to help partners share information, coordinate resources, and work together on shared housing challenges while preserving local decision-making. The acceptance acknowledges the strategy as a guide to help strengthen local action by identifying where partners can align resources, coordinate across boundaries, share technical support, and focus regional capacity on shared housing challenges that are difficult for any single community to take on alone.

Action by others

None

Previous discussion/action

[October 7, 2026 – DRCOG Board Work Session](#)

[July 15, 2026 – DRCOG Board Work Session](#)

[April 1, 2026 – DRCOG Board Work Session](#)

[January 7, 2026 – DRCOG Special Meeting of the Board](#)



Recommendation

Move to accept the Regional Housing Strategy as a guide for future housing planning coordination and strategy.

Attachment(s)

1. Link: [Regional Housing Strategy](#)
2. Staff presentation

For more information

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