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HRA/PED 2025 Preview



- **Finalize and launch new programs from 2025 budget**
 - Commercial Corridors Program
 - Inheritance Fund West Side Flats edition
 - Emergency Rental Assistance/Eviction Prevention Program
 - Healthy Homes/Power of Home
- **Implementing Downtown Investment Strategy**
 - Support legislation around Office to Housing Conversions
 - Support legislative ask for arena renovation
 - Work with Saint Paul Downtown Alliance and developers on projects
- **Create "State of Saint Paul Housing" Dashboard**
 - Partnership with Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis



- **Citywide Economic Development Strategy**
 - **Typically includes**
 - Comprehensive analysis of the local economy
 - Identifying key strengths and weaknesses
 - Setting goals for economic growth
 - Outlining specific strategies and policies to attract new businesses, retain existing ones, improve infrastructure, catalyze development, develop workforce skills, and implement initiatives to enhance the city's overall economic opportunities
 - In our case, also look at retail/sales tax leakage, strategies and opportunities
 - **PED will manage this contract, but economic development involves other departments as well, such as:**
 - **DSI** –When the permitting process is slow, cumbersome, or unclear, it can become a significant deterrent to economic development. Conversely, a streamlined and efficient permitting process can bring significant return on investment
 - **Public Works** – The revitalization, expansion, and improvement of physical infrastructure improves economic conditions, and is necessary for development, business and job growth.



- **Specific work on major development sites/master plans**
 - United Village
 - McDonalds coming down very soon
 - Vertical development begin in the Spring
 - Highland Bridge
- **Guiding planning and zoning framework and policies**
 - Downtown Plan
 - Release ADU toolkit and possibly Pre-Approved ADU Plans
 - T Districts Zoning Study (Traditional Neighborhood)



- **Release RFP for Parking Ramp Operators**
- **Evaluate District Council Funding Formula**
- **Low Income Housing Tax Program**
 - Adoption of a new Qualified Allocation Plan for 2026-2027 cycle - Q2
 - Release of the RFP for the 9% Credits – Q3
- **Continue supporting funding requests for projects including**
 - The Heights housing developments
 - Hamm's Brewery
 - 1570 White Bear Ave (Gloryville)
 - 1170 Arcade (Face-to-Face)



- **Evaluate our role in supporting businesses**
 - Finalize the outsourcing of our loan portfolio
 - Develop stronger partnership with community funders and institutions
 - Continue to evaluate the Neighborhood STAR program
- **Develop HRA owned land**
 - Presentation on the January 22nd about our land inventory
 - Take advantage of recent zoning changes to maximize density



Questions?