



## Update on the County’s Attainable Housing Strategies Initiative

Last month, Montgomery Planning staff held a virtual presentation on the Planning Board’s [Attainable Housing Strategies](#) recommendations.

- View the [recording](#) of and [presentation](#) from Community Meeting #4: Attainable Housing Strategies Planning Board Recommendations.
- Review the [draft Attainable Housing Strategies final report](#). This report includes a summary of the Planning Board’s recommendations from the Board’s Attainable Housing Strategies work sessions, as well as technical appendices that provide further background on how the Board reached these decisions with Planning staff analysis.
- Read the Planning Department’s [press release](#) for a recap of the Planning Board’s last Attainable Housing Strategies work session held on December 9.
- Take a look at the short Montgomery Planning housing explainer to find out the latest on housing strategies: [English](#)

The Attainable Housing Strategies initiative is meant to address Montgomery County’s serious housing shortage, especially affordable housing, in light of an expected [200,000 additional residents by 2050](#). The initiative includes proposed Priority Housing Districts, in which quadplexes would be allowed and parking requirements would be reduced. These areas are defined using a straight-line buffer of 1-mile from Red line, Purple Line, and MARC stations, plus 500 ft from a BRT Corridor plus River Road and Connecticut Avenue. The Planning Department has created an [Interactive Tool](#) to assist residents with understanding the effect that the proposed initiatives could have in their community.

The Planning Board will hold its seventh work session on January 27, 2022. This session will focus on the specific zoning modifications that would implement the recommendations identified in the report. This will be included as an additional appendix. Planning staff will also provide an appendix on how other jurisdictions have addressed similar efforts before the report is finalized.

The final report will be transmitted to the Montgomery County Council in early 2022 following final County Council action on [Thrive Montgomery 2050](#).