

**MINUTES
OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE
EDINA CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT CITY HALL
SEPTEMBER 16, 2008
5:00 P.M.**

Mayor Hovland called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall. Answering rollcall were: Members Bennett, Housh, Masica, Swenson and Mayor Hovland. Staff present included: Gordon Hughes, City Manager; Heather Worthington, Assistant City Manager; Cary Teague, Planning Director; Roger Knutson, City Attorney; and Debra Mangen, City Clerk.

Mayor Hovland said the purpose of the work session was to the review the Housing Chapter of the draft Comprehensive Plan.

Council discussion included: Housing Task Force's development of the Housing Succession Plan, Housing Task Force's goal of 500 units, Metro Livable Communities Act goal of 212 affordable units, percentage of Edina housing currently at an affordable price, definition of affordable housing, inclusionary zoning and its meaning and implications, and the desire that affordable housing be ownership vs. rental, concern over allowing two housing units to be developed in single family dwellings, how school district demographics affect Edina's population, and life-cycle housing and ability to allow residents to age in place within Edina. The Council pointed out changes and inconsistencies to the Housing Chapter that were recorded by staff. Staff will review the draft plan for consistency throughout the chapters after incorporating the changes.

It was noted the Transportation Chapter would be reviewed at the September 23, 2008, Study Session to be held at 7:00 a.m. Council requested that Geoff Workinger and Steve Brown of the Edina Transportation Commission be invited along with Kirk Johnson and other members of the Bike Edina Task Force. The meeting would be held in the Edina Community Room located on the second floor of City Hall.

Mayor Hovland declared the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Mangen, City Clerk