

# Draft Housing Production Plan Update - Open Comment

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**Written response:**

I think this is a very good plan. It is very dense and contains lots of useful information, and I especially appreciated the charts and graphs. It also very much reflects what we heard from residents during the information-gathering portion of the 2020 Master Plan Update. I was a member of the Master Plan Update Advisory Committee, and also Chair of the Master Plan Implementation Committee. We held 19 public meetings in a variety of locations, including the Senior Center, Newton Manor, Lathrop Village, the Riverboat apartments, Loomis and other condo complexes at a variety of times, so as to make it possible for lots of residents to voice their opinions. Over and over we were told that people wanted more housing that was affordable at different price points.

The Housing Production Plan seems to reflect community-wide needs, not just the views of the residents who routinely show up at Planning Board forums, meetings and hearings. I applaud those who took the time (had the time!) to read this almost 200 page document, and to comment on it. But there are many who don't have the time or other resources to do so, and we must take their needs into account, as part of our commitment to our community. This Plan describes a multi-pronged approach to addressing housing needs, and it should serve us well as we move ahead.

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