The 6th Annual Hudson Valley Affordable Housing Summit

Compacts and Crises
Practical plans to address the Housing Shortage

May 11, 2023
8:00 am–12:15 pm

On January 10 of this year Governor Hochul introduced her New York Housing Compact to address New York’s statewide housing crisis. Even if the Compact does not move forward, intense housing shortage is a challenge that all of New York’s communities must address, whether they want to or not. Referred to as “preferred actions,” the Compact looks to a variety of zoning solutions that municipalities can consider to create housing, including rezoning for multifamily, rezoning of commercial areas to allow for residential, the removal of exclusionary zoning measures, as-of-right lot splits, and accessory dwelling units.

Using the Governor’s Housing Compact as a starting point, the 6th Annual Hudson Valley Affordable Housing Summit, will take a deeper dive into practical strategies for addressing the housing crisis in our area using some of the referenced preferred actions, including adaptative reuse, the removal of exclusionary zoning measures, Transit Oriented Development (TOD), and Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). Emphasis will be on practical considerations, available resources, and implementable strategies.

AGENDA

8:00 – 8:45  Breakfast & Networking

8:45 – 9:00  Transition into Room

9:00 – 9:15  Welcome & Introduction
Jason Labate, Esq., Partner, Goldstein Hall PLLC
Tiffany Zezula, Esq., Staff Consultant, Housing Action Council and Deputy Director, Land Use Law Center

9:15 – 9:45  Session 1: Site Identification and Adaptative Reuse
Many municipalities raise the lack of sites as an impediment to the development of affordable housing. This session will tease out creative sites being revitalized/adaptively reused and who develops them and ways in which municipalities can remove zoning barriers to the creation of housing.

Moderator: Jason Labate, Esq., Partner, Goldstein Hall PLLC
John Fry, AIA, LEED AP bd+c, Principal, Nexus Creative Design
Patrick Love, Vice President and Chief of Staff, Multifamily Finance and Development Group, New York State Homes and Community Renewal
Brian Pugh, Esq., Mayor, Croton-on-Hudson
Jaclyn Tyler, AIA, LEED AP bd+c, NCARB, Principal, Nexus Creative Design
Session 2: Unlocking Housing Access: Transit Oriented Development to Creating Housing

The statewide production goal announced by the Governor, also includes a focus on transit-oriented development. Panelists will discuss how Transit Oriented Development could look in various zones of New York State and share real-life recent developments and ways in which the municipality provided support in these initiatives.

Moderator: Tiffany Zezula, Esq., Staff Consultant, Housing Action Council and Deputy Director, Land Use Law Center
Karen D’Attore, Village Manager, Village of Ossining
Raju Mann, Associate Principal, ARUP
Kate VanTassel, Director of Special Projects, New York State Homes & Community Renewal
James R. Wendling, Chief Operating Officer, WBP Development LLC

Session 3: Accessory Dwelling Units to Create Housing

Panelists will explore practical strategies for addressing the housing crisis in our area, through the production of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). Panelists will walk participants through the homeowners experience in creating an ADU from land use approval process, financing, and design and property assessment. Panelists will emphasize practical considerations, available resources, and implementable strategies. Discussion will also be had on the Governor’s proposal – a bill to create a new opt-in property tax exemption on the increase in assessed value of one- and two-family homes as a result of creating an ADU and on new funding available for ADUs.

Moderator: Jessica Bacher, Esq., Staff Consultant, Housing Action Council and Executive Director, Land Use Law Center
Christina Griffin, AIA LEED AP CPHC, Principal, CGA Studio Architects
Edye McCarthy, Assessor, Town of Greenburgh
Michael Patino, Owner, Michael Patino Architecture and Village Trustee, Village of Dobbs Ferry
Rachel Wieder, Chief of Staff for Homeownership and Community Development, New York State Homes and Community Renewal

Networking