



**Mountain Housing Council  
Policy Working Group Meeting Summary  
Monday, February 28, 2022**

Attendees: Stacy Caldwell, Emily Setzer, Karen Fink, John Falk, Yumi Dahn, Fred Ilfeld, and Tara Zuardo  
Facilitation: Steve Frisch

Topic	Discussion	Next Steps
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Steve gave an update on the Governor's Budget proposal/surplus. See below.</li></ul>	
<a href="#"><u>Bill Tracking List</u></a>	Legislative Action/Bill Tracking List  AB 561-Help Homeowners Finance Adu's-Support  AB 672—Golf Course-Support  AB 1445-Evacuation Routes--Support  AB 2097-Parking/Transit-Watch  AB 2233-Public Housing Loan Fund-Support  SCA2—"low rent" housing	

	CA--Support SB 12—Wildfire/landuse-Engage SB-886-Student Housing CEQA-Support	
Next Meeting		March 28, 2022

**Multiple ideas floating our there regarding how to spend the increasing budget surplus....**

- Community Based Insurance – funding for defined pilots: This concept remains of keen interest to the Insurance Commissioner’s office. Deborah Halberstadt will be keeping us posted as they develop a funding request. Recommendation in Insurance Agency’s Protecting Communities report states: Develop proof of concept for a nature-based solution combined with community insurance. Link: [climate-insurance-report-07-22-2021.pdf \(ca.gov\)](https://www.insurance.ca.gov/0400-news/0100-press-releases/2022/release019-2022.cfm)
- [Safer From Wildfires Program](#)
  - <https://www.insurance.ca.gov/0400-news/0100-press-releases/2022/release019-2022.cfm>
- **Budget/Infrastructure and financing incentives one time spending**
- **Sprawl Limits**
- **New Definition of Infill**

- **Tax Incentives for “Achievable” Housing**

- **\$1 Billion for a Social Housing Fund.** This proposal would fund the production and preservation of social housing that meets the general definition of social housing as outlined in the attached letter to the Assembly Select Committee on Social Housing, including permanent affordability, social ownership, mix of incomes, and democratic control. This investment will fund production and preservation projects that will demonstrate that social housing is a housing solution that can succeed at scale.<sup>[1]</sup>

- **\$200 Million for Reentry Housing under [AB 328](#).** This proposal would fund the Reentry Housing and Workforce Development Program, which would provide grants to support housing, housing-based services, and employment interventions to allow recently incarcerated individuals to exit homelessness and remain stably housed.

- **\$1 Billion for Preservation of Affordable Housing, including:**

- **\$500 Million for the Community Anti-Displacement and Preservation Program (CAPP).** This proposal would fund the acquisition of currently unsubsidized affordable rental housing, enabling mission-driven organizations to purchase these buildings and preserve them as affordable. A \$500 million investment in the program could create 4,000 to 4,5000 deed-restricted units.

- **\$500 Million for Preservation of Deed-Restricted Affordable Housing with Expiring Covenants .**

- **\$5 Billion for the Multifamily Housing Program, with additional allowable uses for:**

- **The Housing Accelerator Fund.** Continue to fund the construction of shovel-ready affordable housing projects awaiting bond financing.
  
- Provide **\$1 Billion** towards **Capitalized Operating Subsidy Reserves** to provide services and subsidies for deeply affordable and supportive housing.
  
- **\$500 million to Expand the State Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program**, including a \$25 million set-aside for farmworker housing.
  
- **AB 672 (Garcia, Cristina D) Publicly owned golf courses: conversion: affordable housing.**

**Introduced:** 2/12/2021

**Status:** 1/3/2022-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on H. & C.D. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D. Assembly Rule 56 suspended. (pending re-refer to Com. on L. GOV.)

**Location:** 1/3/2022-A. L. GOV.

**Summary:** Would, upon appropriation by the Legislature, require the Department of Housing and Community Development to administer a program to provide incentives in the form of grants to local agencies that enter into a development agreement to convert a golf course owned by the local agency into housing and publicly accessible open space, as specified.

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[1] This expenditure could be excluded from appropriations subject to the Gann limit. The capital expenditure exemption for government outlays is defined to include "an appropriation for a fixed asset (including land and construction) with a useful life of 10 or more years and a value which equals or exceeds one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)." (Gov. Code sec. 7914)