

January 8, 2020

## **1. Purpose**

Pursuant to Part 6, Section 4: Functions and Scope, of the Tenant-Landlord Commission (TLC) Charter, the TLC shall develop an annual work plan that reflects the goals of the County's Affordable Housing Master Plan which promotes the goals of Supply, Access, and Sustainability with specific reference to proposed policies that impact tenants and landlords.

## **2. Key Objectives**

The TLC will work to accomplish the following key objectives in 2020:

- A. Collaboration – Explore opportunities to collaborate with neighboring jurisdictions and establish mechanisms to regularly consult and coordinate with the City of Alexandria's Landlord Tenant Relations Board and Fairfax County's Tenant-Landlord Commission.
- B. Rental Affordability –
  - Examine the trends and changing rental environment for residents of varying income levels, races, and ethnic backgrounds and their ability to afford rental housing within Arlington County
  - Provide policy recommendations to the Arlington County Board and staff to enhance rental affordability
- C. Housing Discrimination –
  - Continue examining the impacts of housing discrimination and barriers to housing based on criminal history and sources of income (SOI) and make policy recommendations
  - Provide advice and recommendations to the Department of Community Planning, Housing and Development (CPHD) as they develop the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing (AI)
- D. Outreach – Explore opportunities to effectively engage with the tenant and landlord communities to gather information about issues or problems to include planning events/forums and coordinating with CPHD to support events/activities.
- E. Engagement – Continue to serve as a focal point for tenants and landlords with issues, concerns, and grievances and coordinate with County staff and other groups to offer advice, assistance, and elevate issues to public and private decision-makers.
- F. Eviction Reduction – Continue collaborating with the Department of Human Services (DHS), CPHD, and the General District Court to advance the recommendations made by the TLC in September 2019 to reduce evictions in the County.
- G. Housing Policy & Practices Coordination –
  - Continue efforts to actively contribute to strategies to improve Arlington's affordable housing policies and practices including the site plan process and Housing Conservation Districts
  - Ensure effective coordination between the TLC and affiliated advisory commissions including the Housing Commission, Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee (CDCAC), Human Rights Commission (HRC), and Planning Commission

H. Education – Continue inviting county and external organizations to present on key topics at TLC meetings including the following:

- Rental assistance programs
- Legal aid for tenants/landlords
- Rental building/unit codes and enforcement
- Affordable housing data and trends
- Parking policies
- Fair housing
- Landlord experiences
- Tenant experiences

**3. Anticipated Schedule\***

The following is a tentative schedule for discussion items at 2020 TLC meetings:

Topic(s)	TLC Meeting Date
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review/Approve 2019 Annual Report</li> <li>• Review/Approve 2020 TLC Annual Work Plan</li> <li>• Alexandria/Arlington Housing Collaboration Presentation</li> </ul>	January 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SOI Protection Proposal Review</li> </ul>	February 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FY 2021 Budget Recommendations</li> </ul>	March 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing Arlington Update</li> </ul>	April 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2020 General Assembly Session Update</li> <li>• CPHD AI Update</li> </ul>	May 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion of 2021 Legislative Priorities</li> </ul>	June 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review/Approve 2021 Legislative Priorities</li> </ul>	July 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TBD</li> </ul>	September 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TBD</li> </ul>	October 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TBD</li> </ul>	November 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review/Approve 2020 Annual Report to Board</li> </ul>	December 2020

*\* The agenda for each TLC meeting is subject to change and may also include public comment, relocation plan consideration, staff/chair/commissioner reports, and any other pressing business.*