



## Housing Policy Director

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**To:** Nancy Roberts, Chair, Tulsa Development Authority  
Tulsa Development Authority Commissioners

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**Subject:** Update RE: City of Tulsa Housing Strategy

### **Housing Policy Director Position**

The Housing Policy Director is a new position at the City of Tulsa. The position was created to work with city and state housing agencies, non-profit entities, philanthropic organizations and developers to achieve key outcomes of neighborhood revitalization and affordable housing preservation and development.

### **Housing Strategy**

The City of Tulsa has drafted a strategy to incentivize development of and preserve affordable housing. The strategy allows for economic growth and innovation while ensuring all Tulsans have access to decent, safe and appropriate housing that meets their needs. The strategy lays out a series of 10 goals and supportive action steps that will take place from 2020-2024. The strategy was designed and will be implemented in collaboration with the Housing Strategy Advisory board comprised of developers, neighborhood stakeholders and social service providers.

The strategy is grounded in a vision, mission and core values:

**Vision :** The City of Tulsa will be an economically thriving inclusive community with quality housing opportunities for all its residents.

**Mission:** The City of Tulsa works collaboratively to create quality housing opportunities for all Tulsans that respect and honor the unique needs and characteristics of each neighborhood and its residents.

#### **Core Values:**

- 1) Equitable Community Investment
- 2) Long-term Economic Sustainability for all Tulsans
- 3 ) Housing as a Human Right
- 4) Holistic Neighborhood Reinvestment

The focus areas for the strategy are strengthening neighborhoods, affordable housing preservation, affordable housing development, vacant and abandoned properties, evictions and homelessness.

Public roll out of the strategy will take place before the end of the calendar year.