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# **Single Room Occupancy Housing**

**Citizen Advisory Group Meeting  
May 20, 2010**

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# Tonight's Agenda

- **Welcome and Introductions**
  - **Housing Keeping Items**
- **Project Background**
  - **Charge/Project Scope**
  - **Process and Timeline**
- **Citizen Advisory Group and Staff Roles**
- **Ground Rules**
- **Meeting Follow-up Report**
- **Meeting Objectives**
  - **Single Room Occupancy Residences**
  - **Definition**
- **Discussion/Wrap-up/Next Steps**
- **Tour McCreesh Place**

# Introduction

- Name
- Organization or Interest you Represent



## Committee Charge

- At the February 8, 2010 meeting of the Charlotte City Council Transportation and Planning Committee, the scope was narrowed from “Special Needs Housing” to “Single Room Occupancy.”

# Project Background

## Process Scope

*Staff has been directed by the Charlotte City Council Transportation and Planning Committee to investigate the possibility of changing SRO standards regarding the following:*

- Notification and/or increased awareness of proposed projects;
- Proximity of other SROs and similar uses in an area;
- Identify appropriate zoning classifications; and
- Coordinate with changes being made to Locational Housing Policy to minimize conflicts



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# Process Chart Revisions to SRO Regulations

## Step 1 (March. 2010): Process Overview T & P

- Scope
- Public Involvement & Charge
- Schedule

## Step 4 (Sept. 2010): Report to HAND

- Draft Recommendations
- Advisory Group and Staff

## Step 2 (March/April 2010 ): Issue & Process Overview HAND

- Background
- Scope
- Public Involvement
- Schedule

## Step 5 (Oct. 2010) HAND Recommendation

## Step 6 (Nov. 2010) Request for Council Action

- Permission to file

## Step 3 (April/May 2010): Advisory Group

- Member Recruitment
- Host 3-4 Meetings
- We are here

Periodic Updates  
To HAND & T&P

Pursue Ordinance  
Revisions

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# Role of Citizen Advisory Group and Staff

## Citizen Advisory Group

- Educate and Inform
- Identify Issues and Concerns
- Identify Possible Solutions
- Provide Feedback on Staff Recommendations
- Attend and Participate in Meetings

## Staff

- Educate and Inform
- Identify Issues and Concerns
- Identify Possible Solutions
- Develop and Draft Recommendations
- Attend and Facilitate Meetings



# Ground Rules

- **All meetings will begin and end on time.**
- **Everyone's opinion is important.** We want to hear from everyone equally. Please do not monopolize the conversation nor just listen without participating.
- **Please identify yourself before speaking.** This will be helpful in learning names.
- **Don't be afraid to ask questions.**
- **Be courteous and polite.** Please don't interrupt others and limit side conversations.





# Meeting Objectives

## Meeting Objective

- Review Definition of Single Room Occupancy Residences
- Tour SRO Facility

# Single Room Occupancy (SRO)

## Current Definition:

A building containing at least eleven (11), but not more than one hundred and twenty (120) rooming units, which are available for rental occupancy for periods of seven (7) days or longer. This does not include boarding houses, motels, hotels, private dormitories, congregate care facilities, nursing homes, family care homes, group homes, emergency shelters, homeless shelters, and accessory shelters.

# Group Discussion

1. Does the Current Zoning Ordinance Definition Accurately Describe a Single Room Occupancy Residence?
  - Why?
  - Why Not?
  - How Could it be Changed?

# Wrap-Up/Next Steps

- Next Meeting Date: June 10<sup>th</sup>
- Next Meeting Objectives
  - Review and Compare Regulatory Standards for SROs



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# Thank You

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