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ITEM TITLE:

Report: Valdez Housing Economic Impacts and Gap Analysis study

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FISCAL NOTES:

Expenditure Required: N/A

Unencumbered Balance: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Report only. Receive and file.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The Valdez Housing Economic Impacts and Gap Analysis study is well under way and due to be completed by the end of February. The kick off happened a little later than expected, due to my elbow injury and subsequent surgery. When I was cleared by the doctor to work remotely, the project moved forward.

After receiving this study we will have a better understanding as to what types of housing the community needs.

Below is an update from McDowell Group:

Work completed to date includes:

- Compilation of available housing data from various state, federal, and local sources, including City of Valdez population survey data and accessory data.
- Kickoff meeting (11/7/19).
- Drafting and finalization of household survey instrument.
- Completion of household telephone survey fielding.
 - Fielding took place between 1/13/20 and 1/21/20. A total of 200 surveys were completed.
 - Data entry completed as well.
- Drafting and finalization of interview protocol for businesses/key informants, along with preliminary list of interviewees with contact info.

Work to be completed includes:

- Household survey preliminary findings
 - Survey data processing, including database cleaning, statistical testing, weighting, and cross tabs.
 - Compilation of household survey findings into data tables.
 - Completion of this step expected during the week of Jan 27th.
- Completion of business/key informant interviews. Target is 25 interviews.
 - Interviews will begin 1/23 with target for completion by 2/12 - depending on availability and responsiveness.
- Compilation of findings and authoring of report.
- Delivery of draft by 2/26. Finalization after review of any comments

The above was carried forward from last agenda due to Lack of Quorum, here is the updated information:

Attached is the Valdez Housing Economic Impacts and Gap Analysis Study. We are having a joint work session with City Council on March 31 at 6PM in Council Chambers. Attending this session will be Dan from McDowell group who can come to talk and answer questions on this study. Also in attendance will be Team Cordes who was selected to do a Multi-Unit Housing on the Woodside Subdivision Lots. They will give their Proposal and answer questions. I am sharing the report with you so you can come prepared with questions, comments or concerns.