

**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA TOPIC**

Resolution authorizing application of \$140,400 in city funds for the Forest Edge Project; approving terms for the project as recommended by the Executive Board for A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH); and authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement and execute all documents necessary for the project consistent with approved terms.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****ACTION**

As directed by City Council on February 24, this Resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement for the Forest Edge project (Bellevue) in the amount of \$140,400 in City of Bellevue funds as recommended by the ARCH Executive Board.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Move to adopt Resolution No. 10614

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS**

On February 24, the City Council directed staff to return with legislation approving \$1,301,200 of Bellevue funding to support seven projects recommended for funding by the ARCH Executive Board including \$140,400 to Imagine Housing in support of the Forest Edge project. Background information on the development was previously provided to the council at the February 24 Study Session.

The Forest Edge development is a partnership of Imagine Housing and Saint Andrews Lutheran Church (SALC), whose members were the original founders of Imagine Housing. The project includes approximately 100 units of new construction affordable rental units to be developed on an underutilized portion of the SALC property in Bellevue. This project will be one of the first to utilize Bellevue's land use code allowing affordable housing to be expanded on faith-owned property and will include studios, one-bedroom, two-bedroom, and three-bedroom homes affordable at 60% area median income.

The development will include onsite parking, an onsite resident service coordinator, and units dedicated to households with disabilities. This project creates workforce housing options in southeast Bellevue with easy access to schools, Bellevue College, grocery stores, and other amenities.

## **POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS**

### **Policy Impact**

ARCH Trust Fund allocations further the work in Bellevue to implement the 2017 Affordable Housing Strategy. It recognizes the urgent need in the city to increase investments in the production and preservation of affordable housing.

### **Fiscal Impact**

The ARCH Housing Trust Fund was established in 2010 for the purpose of administering the contributions of parties to the ARCH Interlocal Agreement to provide affordable housing in East King County. The ARCH Executive Board is requesting Bellevue funding of \$140,400 for the Forest Edge project. The city has available housing funds to satisfy this request.

## **OPTIONS**

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing application of \$140,400 in city funds for the Forest Edge Project; approving terms for the project as recommended by the Executive Board for A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH); and authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement and execute all documents necessary for the project consistent with approved terms.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Proposed Resolution No. 10614

## **AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY**

ARCH Executive Board 2025 Housing Trust Fund Recommendations, dated December 18, 2025