

# Resolution 830 Modernization and Community Engagement Process

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- Community consultation proposed by the ARHA Redevelopment Work Group:
  - Resolution 830 (1981) doesn't reflect current City or HUD housing policies, practices, programs or funding sources
  - Since ARHA's future redevelopment plans are driven by the Board's directive to sustainably address the organization's financial and operating challenges:
    - Many fewer replacement units will be affordable to very low income households (<30% AMI)</p>
    - Most displaced households will receive vouchers, with limited options for temp/permanent relocation in City



# Background of Resolution 830

- Alexandria 1981
  - Demolition and redevelopment of some public/publicly assisted housing proposed for revitalization and economic development projects (e.g., Braddock Metro) and to replace substandard housing
    - ARHA was city's primary "affordable housing" provider except for some privately-owned senior housing buildings
    - □ Preserve ~1150 then-existing
    - HUD provides adequate rental and operating subsidies for public housing

# Background of Resolution 830 – cont'd

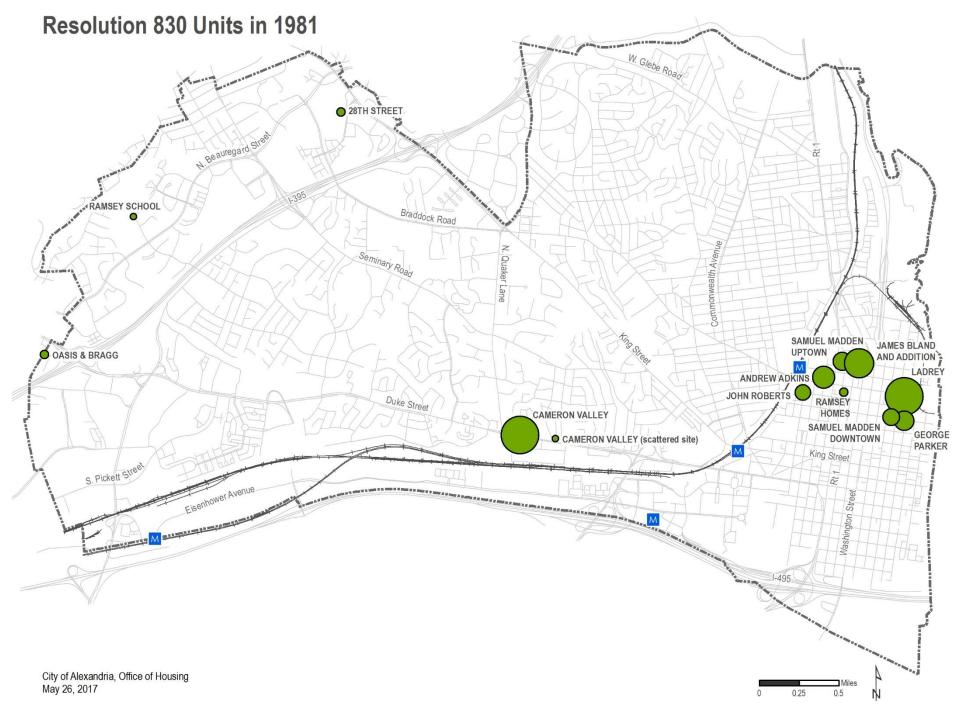
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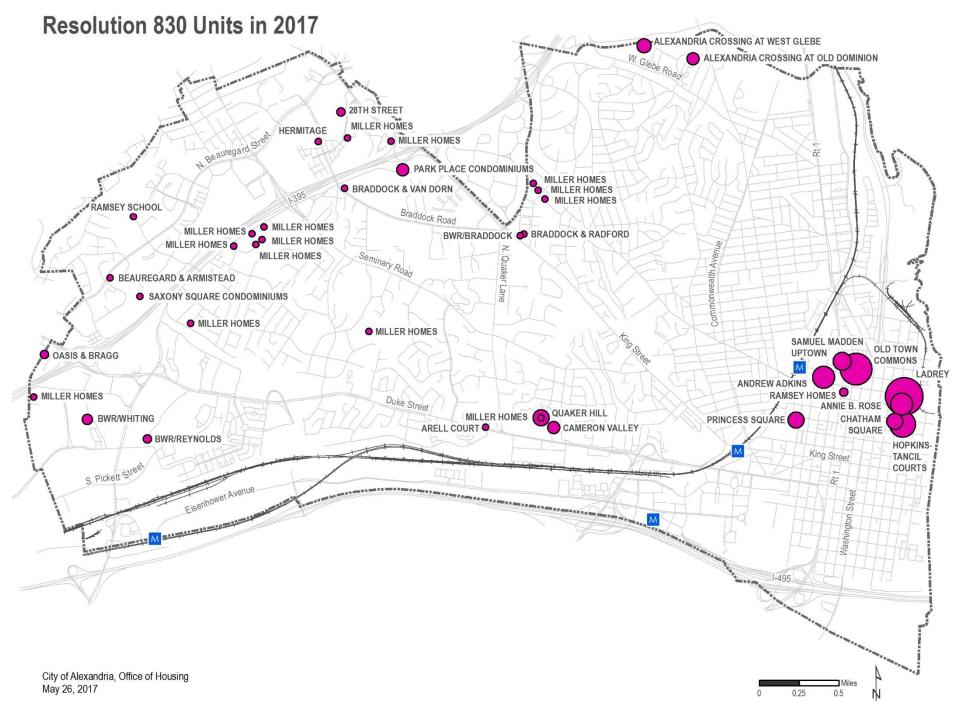
- Section 8 vouchers (1974) help lowerincome households access the Alexandria private rental market – 50%+ city stock is market affordable
- City housing funds target blight, eco. development, home rehab and homeownership assistance
- 1986 LIHTC results in some tax exempt bond – tax credit projects
- ARHA resident demographic: <30% AMI, single – elderly and disabled, and families, including large families



### Resolution 830's "joint" commitments

- 1:1 replacement of ARHA-owned and public housing units – in case of demolition or redevelopment
- "Substantial equivalency"
- City commitment to preserve 1150 units (based on 1981 count) if City action impacts number
- ARHA obligation to secure HUD funding/resources to preserve and maintain units in good condition
- ARHA obligation to relocate residents







### HUD policies and programs - 2017

- Preservation and redevelopment of public housing within context of "communities of opportunity"
- Mixed finance models: public/publicprivate partnerships with revenue from land sales for market rate development to subsidize costs of constructing public housing replacement units, but vouchers are key (mobility, choice and higher operating revenues)
- RAD for redevelopment with ongoing operating subsidy for deeper affordability



## Changes in HUD regulations & funding

- HUD funding reduction over long tern for operation and development
- Debt free development through leveraging, LIHTC and land value
- No 1:1 replacement required
- Vouchers vs. hard units
- No guaranteed right to return to community after redevelopment
- Right-sizing of units
- Housing authority properties should be self-sufficient in operations and management



## City housing policies and practices

- Investment (including GO bonds) in nonprofit-sponsored affordable housing development targets rental (versus homeownership) and long term committed affordability
- City gap funding enables leverage of other sources, including LIHTC
- 691 units preserved or developed since 2002 (508 in pipeline)
- □ 40, 50 and 60% AMI
- Subsidies to enable deep affordability

#### Who is served?

2017 Area Median Income	2-Person Household
100% AMI	\$88,300
80% AMI	\$70,640
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50% AMI	\$44,150
40% AMI	\$35,320
30% AMI	\$26,500
Up to 20% AMI	Up to \$17,660

Sources: 2017 HUD Income Limits for 30% and 50% AMI for Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD HUD Metro Fair Market Rent Area); FY 2017 Multifamily Tax Subsidy Project Income Limits for 60% AMI; and Office of Housing for 40% AMI and Mathematical 80% AMI (figures have not been rounded)



Development economics of deeply affordable units -100 unit project

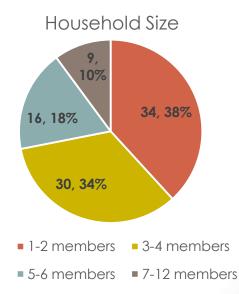


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ARHA Resident Demographics-Andrew Adkins Profile

- Total population: 306
  Children under 17: 164 (54%)
  Seniors 61 and above: 9 (3%)
- 86% of households earn below \$39,999 (~35% AMI)
- 72% of households have 4 or fewer members
- 80% female-headed households





## Challenges from ARHA perspective

#### Declining HUD funding

- Operating subsidies for public housing continue to decrease
- □ More regulation re support for central operations
- Limited federal budget for voucher allocation

#### Development Economics

- Deep affordability requires higher market to affordable unit ratios than outlined in Braddock Plans (ARHA perspective: higher market rate units still do not address ARHA operating cost issues)
- Rental and sales market units have different values and marketing requirements



- Educate community re ARHA's housing and funding challenges and their potential implications for the City
- Achieve common interpretation of 830 given changes in City and HUD housing practices, policies, programs and funding sources
- Understand the City's continuum of housing needs, including:
  - □ ARHA's role
  - □ Role of nonprofit developer partners and others
  - Other tools



## Community Engagement FAQ

- Consultation: July-December 2017
- Third party facilitator
- Meetings include invited stakeholders and the public
- Education and discussion format
- Deliverables: Report with recommendations and draft Revised Resolution 830
- Andrew Adkins proceeding, but other RFP developments will wait



Resolution 830 Community Process – Anticipated Outcomes

- Revised Resolution 830 will consider federal budget trends, ARHA sustainability and City financial realities, as well as new partners and tools
- Revised Resolution will define key characteristics of "830" units, the households to be served, the term of affordability and potential tools and funding resources