Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee
December 7, 2017
AGENDA

1. Background
2. Charrette Process
3. Schedule
4. Next Steps
WHY PLAN?

- Protect a committed housing resource
- 319 committed & market affordable units
AFFORDABLE HOUSING

- Plan supported through VHDA
- 215 affordable housing units are under Project Based Voucher (PBVs) contracts
  - 140 at Heritage at Old Town have PBVs under annual renewal
  - 75 at Olde Towne West III have PBVs that expire in late 2019/early 2020
- 104 market-affordable/ workforce-affordable units which accept Housing Choice Vouchers
- Many family-sized units
AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Project Based Vouchers (PBVs)

- Funded by the federal government
- Critical source of deeply affordable units in the City
  - Approximately 30% of the City’s committed affordable rental stock
- Residents pay 30% of their income toward the rent; PBV pays the difference up to established fair market rent
- Operates similarly to Housing Choice Vouchers, but are tied to a specific property rather than a household
- PBV contracts typically have 20-year term with varying options to renew or extend
Opportunities:

- **PRESERVE** housing affordability and community diversity
- **PRIORITIZE** safety and accessibility
- **STRENGTHEN** the character of the neighborhood

Note: Focus area boundary is general in nature and not intended to indicate redevelopment sites.
CHARRETTE PROCESS

- Charrette Approach
- Volunteer Charrette Group
- Inclusive Technology
- Draft Plan Framework
SCHEDULE

INFORMATION & DATA COLLECTION

January 2018

• Community Pop-Up Events
• Property Owner Meetings

February

COMMUNITY KICK-OFF MEETING

Week of February 12

March

CHARRETTE WEEK

February 26 - March 2

April

DRAFT PLAN RELEASE

Week of April 16

• Open House
• Online Engagement through May

May

PUBLIC INPUT

June

PUBLIC HEARINGS PC/CC
NEXT STEPS

- Volunteer Charrette Group
  - Planning Commission & AHAAC designees
- City Council Update
- Continued Property Owner Outreach
- Pop-Up Public Engagement Events
- Community Meeting
- Charrette Organization