2016 Rental Housing Grants

November 16, 2015







RENTAL HOUSING MARKET TRENDS

- Low vacancy rates
- Significant demand for rental units
- 489 units built from 2010-14, goal of 300 per year
- Lack of supply affects affordability



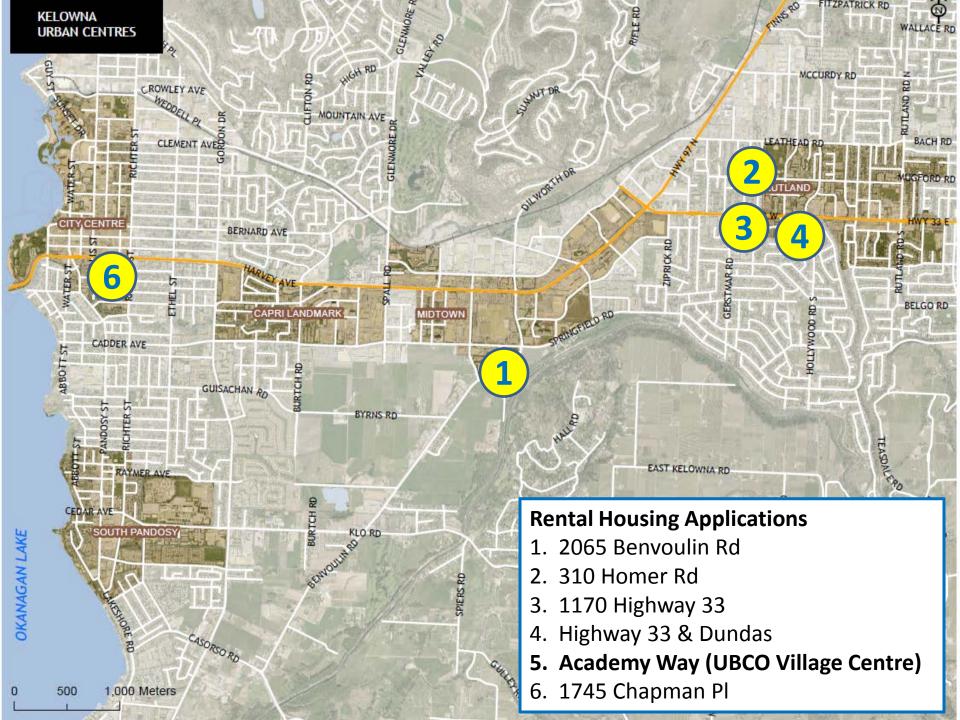
RENTAL HOUSING GRANTS PROGRAM

- Updated in 2012, provides incentives for purpose-built rental housing
- Offset costs of DCCs, \$320,000 is set aside annually
- Guided by Council Policies



RENTAL HOUSING GRANTS PROGRAM

- Applications received in September 2015
- Funding is reported to Council & applicants by April 2016
- At time of building permit issuance, funding applied as a deduction from total charges
- Funding for last year is 100% allocated





APPLICATIONS FOR 2016 GRANTS

Project	Dwelling Units	Type of Units	
2065 Benvoulin Rd	78	Non-profit subsidized purpose built rental	
310 Homer Rd	9	Purpose-built rental	
1170 Highway 33	78	Non-profit subsidized purpose built rental	
Highway 33 & Dundas	23	Purpose-built rental	
Academy Way	55	Purpose-built rental	
1745 Chapman Pl.	86	Non-profit subsidized purpose built rental	
Totals	329		

Total Funds (\$320,000) / Total Number of Units (329) = Grant Per Dwelling Unit(\$972)



RECOMMENDED 2016 GRANTS

Project	Dwelling Units Supported	Recommended Grants	Estimated DCC
Benvoulin Rd	78	\$75,866	\$1,021,176
310 Homer Rd	9	\$8,753	\$105,379
1170 Highway 33	78	\$75,866	\$703,178
Highway 33 & Dundas	23	\$22,370	\$268,734
Academy Way	55	\$53,495	\$268,734
1745 Chapman Pl.* (see note)	86	\$49,543 (capped)	\$1,011,543
Totals	329	\$285,895	\$3,378,745

^{*1745} Chapman: received land gift from the City at Central Green which caps the funding this project can receive.



NEXT STEPS

- Subject to budget approval (2016)
- Letters to successful applicants (April 2016)
- Credit on DCC payment with building permit
- Next intake (Sept 2016)



FINAL THOUGHTS

- Applications reflect a mix of rental units
- Importance of providing a range of housing options
- Meeting goals of Housing Strategy
- On-going role for the City to play