



A Performance Audit of Utah Housing Policy

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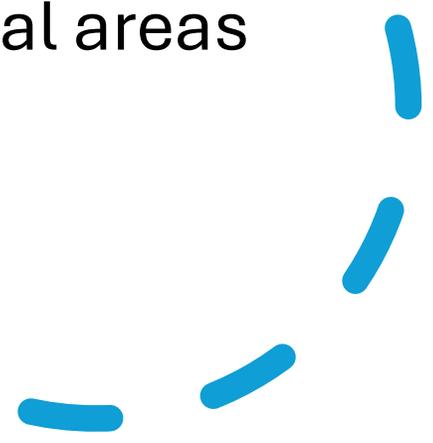
RECOMMENDATION 1.2

The Legislature should consider amending the land use, development, and management acts at both the county and city level to clearly emphasize housing production and affordability as primary goals of land use regulations.

- Add housing production & affordability as an express goal to LUDMA and CLUDMA
 - Independent appeal of land use decisions
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RECOMMENDATION 2.2

The Legislature should consider options to increase zoning density on a wide scale within the state.

- Allow some level of density in all residential zones (Montana, Arizona models)
 - External Accessory Dwelling Units statewide
 - State allowance for upzoning residential areas
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RECOMMENDATION 2.3

The Legislature should consider policy options to craft additional penalties and incentives associated with housing planning and targets to better ensure local government compliance.

- Bypass ombudsman for access to consequential damages
 - Withholding B & C road funds
 - Prioritize infrastructure grants/loans for compliance
 - Revisit Moderate Income Housing Plan to define data and tie to incentives
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