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**Testimony to House  
General & Housing  
Committee Regarding Local  
Regulatory Processes for  
Housing & Development,  
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**A higher standard  
of municipal regulation  
can productively eliminate  
or diminish the volume of  
appeals for housing.**

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Regarding Local Regulatory Processes Related to Housing & Development  
by Josh Hanford, Director, Intergovernmental Affairs  
and Samantha Sheehan, Municipal Policy and Advocacy Specialist  
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Attachments

[Presentation used by Josh Hanford and Samantha Sheehan during their testimony](#)

