

Revisions and additions to housing policies as discussed at the January 6, 2016 CAC Meeting

BACKGROUND: This paper presents changes to the Housing Policies that the Community Advisory Committee recommended at the January 6, 2016 meeting.

Explanation of Different Types of Text in this Document

Standard text – means previously approved text from the January 6, 2016 CAC Meeting Strikeouts – means existing text that is being deleted. <u>Underlined</u> – means new text that is being added.

HOUSING CHOICE POLICIES (from Comprehensive Plan Policy 21)

POLICIES

- A. Encourage the provision of housing affordable to residents of all incomes and household types.
- B. Support the provision of housing for the elderly, including low-maintenance, small units within existing communities.
- C. Support the provision of housing in sizes and styles, which suit the needs of smaller households, including single adults and couples without children.
- D. Maintain a non-exclusionary housing policy.
- E. Reevaluate regulations and, where possible, streamline or eliminate requirements to reduce development costs.
- F. Support efforts to conserve existing housing stock, particularly housing that is affordable to community members with low and moderate incomes.
- G. Accommodate innovative housing construction techniques <u>development opportunities</u>, which decrease development costs to improve housing affordability.
- H. Cooperate with the private sector to expand the supply of housing that is affordable to low and moderate income residents.
- I. Encourage innovative housing construction techniques, which increase energy efficiency and reduce carbon emissions.
- J. Allow for mobile homes on individual lots where single-family dwellings are allowed, consistent with state law, and provide site development standards for such dwellings.

[Note. Housing policy J was not among those reviewed and discussed at the January 6 CAC meeting. It was inadvertently left off.]

STRATEGIES

- A. Work with the regional government to determine expected housing demand in the unincorporated County based upon demographic and housing trends, transportation improvements and economic development in the region.
- B. Work with trade associations, community groups and other interested groups to reduce the cost of housing through the formulation of:
 - 1. Alternative road and improvement standards
 - 2. Legislative amendments to the Uniform Building Code Oregon Specialty Codes
 - 3. An expeditious design review, building permit and land division process