

RESOLUTION 92-07

(Affordable Housing Needs)

WHEREAS, the availability of affordable, decent, safe and sanitary housing opportunities for persons of lower, middle and fixed income is a matter of statewide concern, and a specific area of concern for Hood River; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Sub-Committee has been meeting regularly since August 1991, to discuss how to facilitate the needs of those who cannot find decent housing; and

WHEREAS, the Committee has identified general actions and policies that the City of Hood River can adopt in order to promote the development of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hood River does advocate the development of affordable housing through community-wide programs including assistance from federal, state, county and city governments.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Hood River does hereby adopt as general policies the following incentives to affordable housing development:

1. An affordable housing strategy, including inventory and needs analysis will be developed as part of the 1992 Comprehensive Plan periodic review process.
2. The City of Hood River will consider each of its surplus properties at the time of sale for affordable housing development or donation of a portion of the proceeds from said sale.
3. The City will continue to support applications for Community Development Block Grants and other available granting funds available for affordable housing.
4. The City will promote utilization of City staff to assist in development of affordable housing.
5. The City will promote rehabilitation of housing units for the general public, utilizing grant funds and government backed low interest loan programs.
6. The City will consider deferment/waiver of fees for non-profit and profit making organizations if they are facilitating affordable housing.

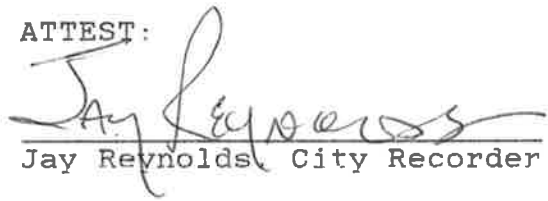
7. The City will promote programs establishing emergency minor home repair programs in cooperation with local lenders.

8. The City will study the advisability of giving incentives to current and future owners of affordable housing units to motivate continued use of those properties for low and moderate income housing.

ADOPTED this 23rd day of March, 1992.


Glenn P. Taylor, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:


Jay Reynolds, City Recorder