

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

ORDINANCE 22-034



Requirements for Committee

State Housing Initiatives Partnership Act, sections 420.907 – 420.9079, Florida Statutes

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee shall include

- one (1) elected member of the City Commission,
- two (2) members appointed at large,
- and one (1) representative from at least six (6) of the following categories:

Categories of membership

- (1) A citizen who is actively engaged in the residential home building industry in connection with affordable housing.
- (2) A citizen who is actively engaged in banking or mortgage industry in connection with affordable housing.
- (3) A citizen who is a representative of those areas of labor actively engaged in home building in connection with affordable housing.
- (4) A citizen who is actively engaged as an advocate for low-income persons in connection with affordable housing.
- (5) A citizen who is actively engaged as a for-profit provider of affordable housing.
- (6) A citizen who is actively engaged as a not-for-profit provider of affordable housing.
- (7) A citizen who is actively engaged as a real estate professional in connection with affordable housing.
- (8) A citizen who actively serves on the City's planning agency pursuant to F.S. 163.3174, or as may be amended.
- (9) A citizen who resides within the jurisdiction of the local governing body making appointments.
- (10) A citizen who represents employers within the jurisdiction.
- (11) A citizen who represents essential services personnel as defined in the local housing assistance plan.

Duties of AHAC

(1) Recommend initiatives and incentive to the City Commission to encourage or facilitate affordable housing in the City.

(2) Annually, review the established policies and procedures, ordinances, land development regulations, and the City's adopted comprehensive plan and recommend specific actions or initiatives to encourage or facilitate affordable housing while protecting the ability of the property to appreciate in value. Such recommendations may include the modification or repeal of existing policies, procedures, ordinances, regulations, or plan provisions; the creation of exceptions applicable to affordable housing; or the adoption of new policies, procedures, regulations, ordinances, or plan provisions, including recommendations to amend the City's comprehensive plan and corresponding regulations, ordinances, and other policies.

Duties Continued

(3) Annually, submit a report to the City Commission and to the entity providing statewide training and technical assistance for the Affordable Housing Catalyst Program which includes recommendations on the implementation of affordable housing incentives in the following areas:

- a. The processing of approvals of development orders or permits for affordable housing projects is expedited to a greater degree than other projects, as provided in F.S. 163.3177(6)(f)(3), or as may be amended.
- b. All allowable fee waivers provided for the development or construction of affordable housing.
- c. The allowance of flexibility in densities for affordable housing.
- d. The reservation of infrastructure capacity for housing for very low income persons, low-income persons, and moderate-income persons.
- e. Affordable accessory residential units.
- f. The reduction of parking and setback requirements for affordable housing.
- g. The allowance of flexible lot configurations, including zero-lot-line configurations for affordable housing.
- h. The modification of street requirements for affordable housing.
- i. The establishment of a process by which a local government considers, before adoption, policies, procedures, ordinances, regulations, or plan provisions that increase the cost of housing.
- j. The preparation of a printed inventory of locally owned public lands suitable for affordable housing.
- k. The support of development near transportation hubs and major employment centers and mixed-use developments.

Staff Recommendation

Grants Division staff recommends approval of the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee in order to comply with the Florida Statutes.