

Councilmember introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION #22-037

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING HOUSING AND LOCAL DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, local elected decision-makers are in the best position to determine the health, safety, and welfare regulations that best serve the unique needs of their constituents; and

WHEREAS, zoning regulation is an important planning tool that benefits communities economically and socially, improves health and wellness, and helps conserve the environment; and

WHEREAS, local zoning regulation allows communities to plan for the use of land transparently, involving residents through public engagement; and

WHEREAS, cities across the state are keenly aware of the distinct housing challenges facing their communities and they target those local housing challenges with available tools; and

WHEREAS, multiple bills restricting local decision-making related to housing have been introduced in the 2021-2022 biennium.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, as follows:

- 1) That this Council supports local decision-making authority and opposes legislation that restricts the ability for local elected officials to respond to the needs of their communities.
- 2) That this Council supports housing policy that advances solutions to support full housing spectrum solutions, local innovation, incentives instead of mandates, and community-specific solutions throughout Minnesota.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember , and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

and the following abstained:

and the following were absent:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this 8th day of February, 2022.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk