

CITY OF OAK HARBOR
RESOLUTION NO. 21-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF OAK HARBOR
ADOPTING A HOUSING ACTION PLAN.

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature passed ESHB 1923 in 2019 to increase urban residential building capacity and provide additional affordable and market rate housing in a greater variety of housing types and at prices that are accessible to a greater variety of incomes; and,

WHEREAS, ESHB 1923 also provided Washington State funding to assist communities in achieving the objectives of this Bill; and,

WHEREAS, at a City of Oak Harbor City Council workshop held on July 24, 2019, the Council provided direction to staff to pursue grant funding for the preparation of a Housing Action Plan as authorized under ESHB 1923; and,

WHEREAS, by letter dated November 5, 2019, the Washington State Department of Commerce awarded a grant to the City of Oak Harbor in the amount of \$80,000 to prepare a Housing Action Plan in conformance with ESHB 1923; and,

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, a Professional Services Agreement between the City of Oak Harbor and the firm LDC, Inc. was initiated for consultant services to assist in the preparation of the Housing Action Plan; and,

WHEREAS, from April 2020 to May 2021 the City of Oak Harbor and LDC, Inc. prepared in conformance with ESHB 1923, all required elements of the Housing Action Plan including: Project Charter; Public Involvement Plan; Housing Needs Assessment; and draft Housing Action Plan; and,

WHEREAS, special effort was made to implement the Public Involvement Plan through the creation of a Stakeholders Advisory Committee and webpage, and by holding several public meetings of the Planning Commission and City Council at which presentations were made; and,

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2021 pursuant to RCW 36.70A.106 a notice of intent to amend development regulations was transmitted to the Washington State Department of Commerce; and,

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2021 the City's SEPA responsible official issued a Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS), SEPA file SEP-21-04, with no appeal filed; and,

WHEREAS, on May 25, 2021, in conformance with Oak Harbor Municipal Code 18.20.270(1), a noticed public hearing before the City's Planning Commission was held with a recommendation for approval of the Housing Action Plan with said recommendation being conveyed to the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2021, after a duly noticed City Council public hearing, the Council approved Resolution No. 21-17.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Oak Harbor that the City of Oak Harbor Housing Action Plan attached hereto as Exhibit A is hereby adopted and approved.

PASSED by the City Council this 1st day of June 2021.

CITY OF OAK HARBOR



ROBERT SEVERNS, MAYOR

Attest:



Julie Lindsey, City Clerk

Approved as to form:



Grant Weed, City Attorney