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City of Madison, Wisconsin

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AN ~~AMENDED~~ RESOLUTION _____

Presented December 12, 1990
Referred Planning Commission
City-County Liaison Committee
EOC _____

to adopt a statement of housing diversity policy and implementation strategies for the City of Madison

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Adopted POF _____
Rules Susp. _____ Tabled _____
Public Hearing _____

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Amended: February 6, 1991

Fiscal Note: This is a statement of policy which creates a direction for future decisions. It does not generate a specific cost or impact.

APPROVAL OF FISCAL NOTE IS NEEDED BY THE COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE
Approved by
[Signature]
Comptroller's Office

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RESOLUTION NO. 47552
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SPONSORS: Aids. Bruer, Stewart, Golden, Szwaja, Heidt, McFarland, Wallner, Bigelow, Gonzalez, Bauman, Miley, Lufler, Zipperer, Shivers, Bowser, Trachtenberg, McGuire and Mayor Soglin

WHEREAS, segregation of any population group to specific locations may be detrimental to the welfare of people within the City, including the particular group, by impeding social and economic interactions between all segments of the community, and

WHEREAS, it is a goal of the City of Madison, as stated in the City's Land Use Plan and Fair Share Housing Plan, to promote integration of diverse racial, income, disability and other groups which occur among its population, and

WHEREAS, a goal of the City is to enhance and permit an individual's choice in where they chose to live, a goal codified and required in Federal law and local ordinance which provide for equal treatment and prohibit discrimination, and

WHEREAS, choice in housing for certain distinctive residential living arrangements and diversity in the location of available housing stock are both essential to the achievement of these municipal goals, and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison has within it state-licensed, community-based residential facilities, a type of living arrangement defined in S46.03 State Statute which are dispersed throughout the area, and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison has within it emergency and transitional facilities for homeless persons which have tended to concentrate in areas with less expensive housing including census tracts 17 and 19, and

WHEREAS, there is a perception in these neighborhoods that there is in fact, a concentration of such places which, in and of itself, impedes the social integration of residents of emergency and transitional housing into these neighborhoods, and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison has within it publicly-assisted housing which

has tended to locate in areas with less expensive land, such as C.T. 14.01 and tracts 22 and 23 ,and therefore a case has been developed and adopted in the City's Fair Share Housing Plan which provided for scattering such publicly-assisted family housing throughout the City, and

WHEREAS, the market reasons for the siting of the above referenced types of housing facilities have been identified as low initial land and housing cost, access to transportation, ease of access to supportive human services, and proximity of shopping and recreational amenities, and

WHEREAS, impediments to broader choice of location by operators of such facilities, which, if removed, might lead to a greater scattering of such special needs housing include high initial land and housing costs, discrimination in the selling of such housing, greater levels of active neighborhood opposition, inaccessible housing stock and zoning limitations, distance from transportation, shopping, and recreational amenities, or inaccessibility of supportive human services,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Madison adopts the following strategies intended to achieve housing diversity within the City, among all of its neighborhoods, thereby facilitating the social integration of all segments of the community.

STRATEGIES TO REMOVE OBSTACLES TO HOUSING CHOICE:

1. City Enforcement of local ordinances and public education concerning local, state, and federal laws prohibiting discrimination in housing on the basis of the protected classes;
2. City encouragement and monitoring of County enforcement of county fair housing ordinances prohibiting discrimination; City recognition and encouragement of County efforts to promote affordable housing and the diversification of housing choice within the County, particularly its smaller cities and towns;

STRATEGIES TO FACILITATE GREATER CHOICE:

3. City promotion of housing counseling and information about vacancies and availability, including the development of more affirmative real estate marketing to targeted groups which through their individual choices promote housing diversity;
4. City administration of a scattered site acquisition fund, to assist non-profit groups which endeavor to locate community-integrated special housing in city areas where land and building costs are high and discourage siting of such facilities; these special housing facilities shall include the following: supported apartments under the State Community Options Program, community-based residential facility and transitional housing with seven or fewer units, per Appendix A of the companion resolution adopting these guidelines;
5. City cooperation with the County, the Greater Madison Board of Realtors, the Madison Apartment Association, and private operators of such facilities to develop technical assistance to housing groups to help them in their search, selection and management of affordable special residential facilities, and to better coordinate support service planning where appropriate.
6. City promotion and enforcement of accessibility standards in housing, transportation, and the siting of public and community service accommodations which will assist in integrating persons with special needs throughout the City.

7. City research and monitoring of the effects of special needs housing on areas surrounding these special facilities.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the City and the County jointly establish a Special Housing Policy Group to annually review public policies and information concerning the concentration of special housing within the area, monitor efforts to integrate such housing into Dane County communities, and develop recommendations to further the goals of housing choice and housing diversity. The Special Housing Policy Group shall include two County Board Supervisors and one Executive representative appointed by the County Executive, and two alderman and one special representative appointed by the Mayor, and confirmed by the respective legislative bodies.

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED, that the above Group shall be assisted by a Fair Housing Implementation Staff Team, which shall include representatives from the Department of Planning and Development CDBG and CED Units, the Equal Opportunities Commission, the Dane County Regional Plan Commission, the Dane County Housing Authority, and a County Executive nominated staff representative of a County agency active in the area of fair housing. Further the Team shall establish measurable objectives for each of the above strategies, and annually report to the Mayor and the County Executive on the progress of the City and other related parties toward the accomplishment of these broader goals of housing choice and diversity.

Further the Team shall identify other obstacles and potential mitigating measures to achieve these goals.