



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Community Planning & Economic Development

Date: September 12, 2006

To: Council Member Lisa Goodman, Community Development Committee

Subject: Affordable Housing Goals for 2006-2008

Recommendation: Establish Three-Year Affordable Housing Goals for 2006-2008 as described herein.

Previous Directives: The Affordable Housing Policy for the City of Minneapolis was adopted by the City Council on September 7, 1999 and amended on February 16, 2001. The resolution directs the Department of Community Planning & Economic Development to establish affordable housing production goals and to prepare an annual report to the community regarding affordable housing activity based upon those goals.

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Financial Impact

- No financial impact

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification: Neighborhoods are notified of the public hearing for the annual affordable housing report.
- City Goals: In five years all Minneapolis residents will have a better quality of life and access to housing and services; residents will live in a healthy environment and benefit from healthy lifestyles; the city's infrastructure will be well-maintained and people will feel safe in the city.
- Comprehensive Plan: 4.10 Minneapolis will increase its housing that is affordable to low and moderate income households. 4.9.1 Minneapolis will grow by increasing its supply of housing. 4.15 Minneapolis will carefully identify project sites where housing redevelopment and/or housing revitalization are the appropriate responses to neighborhood conditions and market demand.
- Zoning Code: Not applicable.

Supporting Information

Pursuant to the city's 1999 Affordable Housing Policy, the city establishes annual and three-year affordable production/preservation goals as benchmarks for its annual affordable housing report. Goals have not yet been established for the next three-year period (2006-2008).

The previous three year production/preservation goals (units completed) were as follows:

2000 – 2002: 2,110 units (actual production: 1,621 units - goal not achieved)

2003 – 2005: 2,100 units (actual production: 2,470 units - goal exceeded)

Future production must be evaluated based on cost trends and estimated public and private resources. This analysis is consistent with the staff work involved in developing the city's Consolidated Plan five-year goals and related CAPER reporting. Affordable housing production is also measured by HousingLink and by the Metropolitan Council, although the methodologies are slightly different. These progress reports can be accessed through the following links:

http://www.housinglink.org/Reports.htm#housing_counts

<http://metro council.org/planning/housing/AffHousingRpt/AffHousingRpt2005.pdf>

The proposed Minneapolis 2006-2008 production/preservation goals (units completed) are as follows:

2006: 670 units

2007: 655 units

2008: 645 units

Total 2006 - 2008: 1,970 units