



RESOLUTION
(17 - 2019)

**A RESOLUTION OF THE FAIRVIEW CITY COUNCIL OPPOSING ADOPTION OF
HOUSE BILL 2001 IN THE 2019 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

WHEREAS, the City of Fairview recognizes the importance of stable, safe and affordable housing for the wellbeing of all community members; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairview shares in the statewide concern over the cost of housing and impacts that the supply, location, affordability and overall housing security have on our communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairview agrees that all communities share a responsibility to provide opportunities for a range of housing types that meet the financial capabilities of area residents, consistent with our obligations under Statewide Planning Goal 10 (Housing); and

WHEREAS, the success in implementing the statewide Housing goal lies in Oregon's strong emphasis on citizen involvement in land use planning at the local level, established by the Statewide Planning Goal 1. This has given Fairview residents the opportunity to respond to housing needs in a way that is appropriate to Fairview's unique community needs, geography and pattern of development, while meeting state and regional obligations; and

WHEREAS, Fairview had a population of just under 9,000 people in 2018, but anticipates the city's population to surpass 10,000 residents in the near future due to the recent upsurge in mixed-use and multifamily development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairview believes it currently provides a diverse mix of housing types, with 60% of the city's housing stock consisting of townhomes, multi-family, and manufactured home units; residential zoning districts designed for cottage clusters and townhomes; and over 700 new multi-family, townhome, and duplex units approved in the last three years; and

WHEREAS, the bill, if passed, would go against this long-held Oregon value of empowering citizens to solve local community planning issues, violating Statewide Planning Goal 1: Citizen Involvement, and creating distrust in land use planning; and

WHEREAS, the bill, if passed, may negatively impact capacity of neighborhood infrastructure and risk teardowns of older small homes, which provide entry-level home ownership opportunities and naturally occurring affordable housing in historic single family neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairview strongly urges the legislature to work with communities across the state, along with the League of Oregon Cities, Oregon City Planning Director's Association, and Oregon Chapter of the American Planning Association to amend HB 2001 in a way that provides resources, rather than mandates, to assist cities that need or desire a greater balance in their housing options; and


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FAIRVIEW CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 The Fairview City Council opposes adoption of House Bill 2001 as originally drafted.

Section 2 The Fairview City Administrator is directed to share this resolution expressing the City's opposition to House Bill 2001 with state representatives and other stakeholders who may have the ability to positively impact this bill and to address the concerns raised by the City.


Section 3 This resolution is and shall be effective from the day of its passage.

Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Fairview, this 6th day of March, 2019.



Mayor, City of Fairview
Brian Cooper

ATTEST



City Recorder, City of Fairview
Devree Leymaster

3-7-2019

Date