

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 9274

A RESOLUTION approving the final report and recommendation for the Affordable Housing Strategy as revised and presented to the City Council on May 22, 2017.

WHEREAS, one of the Council's priorities in their Vision for a High Quality Built and Natural Environment is "Assess the unique housing needs of our city and region, and create an affordable housing strategic action plan by 2016 and implementation in 2017"; and

WHEREAS, Council initiated the affordable housing strategy project in December 2015 and Council received updates in March, July, September and December 2016, and in March, April and May 2017; and

WHEREAS, a Housing Needs Assessment, using updated data and information to describe the level and type of affordable housing needed in Bellevue, was presented to Council in March 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Needs Assessment indicated that the cost of buying or renting a home in Bellevue is increasing at a rate that is outpacing the ability to pay for people that live or want to live in Bellevue, and that the need for affordable housing is especially critical for people earning less than 50% of area median income; and

WHEREAS, a Technical Advisory Group (TAG) of 15 people with expertise in different aspects of housing was appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council in April 2016 to provide guidance and assistance to staff and consultants in developing an affordable housing strategy; and

WHEREAS, the TAG met as a full group and in subgroups from May 2016 to April 2017; and

WHEREAS, staff initiated public outreach through a community education forum on affordable housing in June 2016 and continued with online open houses and surveys, listening posts, the project website, social media, city publications, presentations to groups, stakeholder meetings and concluded with a public workshop on the draft set of strategies in March 2017; and

WHEREAS, Council provided direction in April and May 2017 for staff to finalize the report and recommendations of the Affordable Housing Strategy; now, therefore,

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THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES
RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council approves the Affordable Housing Strategy as revised and presented to the City Council on May 22, 2017.

Passed by the City Council this _____ day of _____, 2017,
and signed in authentication of its passage this _____ day of _____,
2017.

(SEAL)

John Stokes, Mayor

Attest:

Kyle Stannert, City Clerk