



STAFF REPORT	
SUBJECT: Adoption of Fair Housing Policy & Resolution 2025-12	MEETING DATE: Mar 6, 2025
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PURPOSE OF REPORT: <input type="checkbox"/> Information only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Item	

WHAT IS BEING ASKED OF THE CITY COUNCIL/BOARD:

The City Council is being asked to pass a resolution to adopt the City of Clearlake’s Fair Housing Policy as required by federal and state laws.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Clearlake is committed to upholding and promoting the principles of fair housing as required by federal and state laws, including Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Fair Housing Act) and California Assembly Bill 686 (AB 686). The Fair Housing Policy is an essential component of ensuring compliance with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and its Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) component, as well as affirmatively furthering fair housing (AFFH).

DISCUSSION:

The Fair Housing Policy establishes the City's commitment to providing equal access to housing opportunities for all persons, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, source of income, or other characteristics protected under fair housing laws. The policy also outlines procedures for preventing housing discrimination, raising awareness, and implementing AFFH strategies within the City's housing and community development efforts.

Key components of the Fair Housing Policy include:

- Prohibiting discrimination and ensuring housing is available to all on a non-discriminatory basis.
- Taking proactive steps to address housing disparities and segregation.
- Conducting regular training and outreach programs for landlords, tenants, and housing professionals.
- Establishing a complaint resolution process for individuals experiencing housing discrimination.
- Integrating fair housing principles into City planning and housing initiatives.

- Monitoring and reporting on fair housing activities as required by HUD and the State of California.

To formalize this policy, the City Council is requested to adopt **Resolution No. 2025-12**, which officially enacts the Fair Housing Policy and directs staff to implement its provisions citywide.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None \$ Budgeted Item? Yes No

Budget Adjustment Needed? Yes No If yes, amount of appropriation increase: \$

Affected fund(s): General Fund Measure P Fund Measure V Fund Other:

Comments: There is no direct fiscal impact associated with the adoption of this policy. However, ensuring compliance with fair housing laws may enhance the City's eligibility for federal and state funding opportunities.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT:

- Goal #1: Make Clearlake a Visibly Cleaner City
- Goal #2: Make Clearlake a Statistically Safer City
- Goal #3: Improve the Quality of Life in Clearlake with Improved Public Facilities
- Goal #4: Improve the Image of Clearlake
- Goal #5: Ensure Fiscal Sustainability of City
- Goal #6: Update Policies and Procedures to Current Government Standards
- Goal #7: Support Economic Development

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt **Resolution No. 2025-12**, approving the Fair Housing Policy for the City of Clearlake.

- Attachments:**
 - 1) Resolution 2025-12-A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Clearlake Adopting the Fair Housing Policy
 - 2) Exhibit A-City of Clearlake Fair Housing Policy