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## AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

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**TO:** FRUITA HOUSING AUTHORITY

**FROM:** MICHAEL BENNETT, CITY MANAGER

**DATE:** JANUARY 17, 2023

**AGENDA TEXT:** ADOPTION OF BYLAWS FOR FRUITA HOUSING AUTHORITY

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### BACKGROUND

Attached is a copy of the proposed bylaws for the Fruita Housing Authority. The purpose of bylaws is to establish the basic rules and regulations for the operations of the Authority. The Fruita City Council reviewed the bylaws at their November 22, 2022 workshop. City Attorney Mary Elizabeth Geiger has since worked with staff to update the bylaws per the direction of the city Council and will be at this meeting to present the bylaws.

Two overarching goals in the updates include first, adjusting the bylaws to reflect the sole purpose of the establishment of the Fruita Housing Authority “to assist the City of Fruita in meeting its goals of housing for all those who want to live in Fruita and to maintain various types of housing within the City, in the following ways: By fostering and coordinating cooperation with partners within and outside of the City of Fruita to create affordable housing through tax abatement programming (for instance through low-income housing tax credit financing (“LIHTC”) projects).” Second the bylaws have been adjusted so that the Housing Authority Board is comprised of the City Council, with the Mayor as Chair and the Mayor Pro-Tem as Vice Chair. Additional officers and employees of the Housing Authority include the City Finance Director as Treasurer, the City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk as Secretary, and the City Manager as Housing Authority Director.

### RECOMMENDATION

It is the recommendation of staff that the Board of Commissioners of the Fruita Housing Authority by motion:

ADOPT THE FRUITA HOUSING AUTHORITY BYLAWS AS PRESENTED OR WITH AMENDMENTS.