

# MEMO



To: Mayor Olson and City Council

From: Jason Bond, Assistant City Manager

Date: January 12, 2023

Re: **Proposed Amendment to Moderate Income Housing Plan**

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On September 20, 2022, the City Council approved an update to the Moderate Income Housing Plan (MIHP) which incorporated implementation strategies as required by the State. After a couple months, Santaquin City was notified that the approved updates were not in compliance with State Code. Essentially, the City was informed that there was not enough detail showing benchmarks and a timeline for when strategies would be implemented. Since then, staff has been coordinating with the Moderate Income Housing Program Manager to draft some language that would be in compliance. The attached draft reflects language that has been reviewed by her and which would bring the plan into compliance.

After further discussing the MIHP with the Program Manager, I developed a better understanding that Santaquin needs a fifth strategy if we want to be listed as a “priority city” when it comes to receiving State funding. With the strong effort that the Mayor and Council are making to get funding for transportation projects such as the interchange replacement/reconfiguration, a proposed fifth strategy is being proposed to help with funding acquisition efforts and to further support implementation of moderate income housing options in Santaquin City.

The Planning Commission reviewed the proposed language and made the following recommendation:

Commissioner Michael Romero made a motion to provide a positive recommendation to the City Council regarding the [Moderate Income Housing Plan] draft language and the proposed fifth strategy. Commissioner Nicci McNeff seconded the motion.

Commissioner Hoffman, Aye; Commissioner Weight, Aye; Commissioner Romero, Aye; Commissioner McNeff, Aye; Commissioner Lance, Aye; Commissioner Wood, Aye; Commissioner Nixon, Absent. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Staff Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council approve the proposed changes and the proposed fifth strategy.

**Recommendation Motion:** “Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 02-01-2023 which amends language in the Moderate Income Housing Plan including the addition of a fifth strategy.”