

Legislation Text

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AGENDA DATE: 12/16/2020

TITLE:

Anti-displacement and Tenant Relocation Policy Implementation Guidelines

SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST: Adoption of a Resolution of Intent to amend the Albemarle County Code by adding Anti-displacement and Tenant Relocation Policy Implementation Guidelines

ITEM TYPE: Consent Action Item

STAFF CONTACT(S): Richardson, Walker, Kamptner, Baumgartner, Filardo, Pethia

PRESENTER (S): N/A

LEGAL REVIEW: Yes

REVIEWED BY: Jeffrey B. Richardson

BACKGROUND: On September 18, 2020, the Board adopted a resolution adopting an Anti-displacement and Tenant Relocation policy. This policy commits the County to making all reasonable efforts to ensure that residential redevelopment and rehabilitation activities that receive County funding support or that require Board approval will minimize resident displacement or relocation to cases where no other alternative is available. Additionally, the policy instructs County staff to work with developers and property owners to avoid resident displacement, whenever possible; and when relocation is necessary, to enable displaced residents to move directly to safe, healthy, and affordable replacement housing convenient to their place of employment and/or school.

STRATEGIC PLAN: Infrastructure Investment: Prioritize, plan, and invest in critical infrastructure that responds to past and future changes and improves the capacity to serve community needs.

DISCUSSION: Staff presented the initial draft of the Albemarle County Anti-displacement and Tenant Relocation Guidelines (Attachment B) to the Board of Supervisors during an October 21, 2020 work session. Based on Supervisor comments provided during that work session, staff has a identified a number of guideline items in need of further revision. Adoption of the attached Resolution of Intent will allow staff to begin working on those revisions. This work will be carried out in consultation with the County Attorney's Office, as well as members of the local developer community. Staff anticipates presenting a revised draft of the Anti-displacement and Tenant Relocation Policy guidelines in the late spring of 2021.

BUDGET IMPACT: There is no direct budgetary impact specifically related to this information.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached Resolution of Intent (Attachment A) to approve an update to the County Code.

ATTACHMENTS:

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Attachment A - Resolution of Intent