

RESOLUTION NO. ²⁵~~24~~ - 22

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ASTORIA AFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR THE
CLATSOP COUNTY LEASE TO LOCALS HOUSING PROGRAM.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ASTORIA:

A RESOLUTION of the City of Astoria, Oregon, affirming the City's intent to partner with Clatsop County and regional stakeholders in the implementation of a two-year pilot program known as "Lease to Locals," which aims to address critical workforce housing needs through voluntary property owner incentives and regional collaboration.

WHEREAS, the shortage of workforce housing in the City of Astoria and throughout Clatsop County is a regional challenge that requires coordinated, multi-jurisdictional solutions; and

WHEREAS, the availability of long-term rental housing for local workers in Astoria has declined due to increased regulation of residential tenancies, increasing housing costs, limited new construction, second home ownership and the conversion of housing units to short-term rentals; and

WHEREAS, Lease to Locals is a pilot program initiated by Clatsop County that offers financial incentives to property owners to convert short-term rentals or vacant homes into long-term housing for locally employed residents earning up to 150% of Area Median Income (AMI); and

WHEREAS, the City of Astoria's diverse economy — including maritime industries, tourism, healthcare, education, and creative sectors — depends on access to housing that enables employees at all income levels to live and work within the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Astoria recognizes that housing stability is a key social determinant of health and supports the Columbia Pacific Coordinated Care Organization's goals to improve health equity and reduce disparities through access to affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, Clatsop County will serve as the lead agency in contracting with Placemate, a qualified program administrator with a national track record of successfully operating Lease to Locals programs in similar communities; and

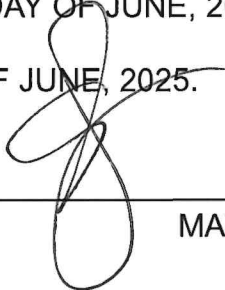
WHEREAS, the City of Astoria affirms its intent to collaborate with Clatsop County and other jurisdictions to support program implementation, outreach, and evaluation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Astoria, Oregon, that:

1. The City of Astoria supports the implementation of the Clatsop County Lease to Locals two-year pilot program as a regional workforce housing strategy.
2. The City will partner with Clatsop County and other local jurisdictions to share information, engage stakeholders, and assist in promoting participation in the program by eligible landlords and tenants within the City limits.
3. The City of Astoria remains committed to addressing the housing needs of its local workforce and will collaborate regionally to evaluate program outcomes and explore future strategies to support housing stability, economic vitality, and community well-being.

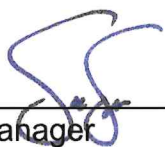
ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 23rd DAY OF JUNE, 2025.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR THIS 23rd DAY OF JUNE, 2025.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



City Manager

ROLL CALL ON ADOPTION	YEA	NAY	ABSENT
Councilor Davis	X		
Mazzarella	X		
Adams	X		
Lump	X		
Mayor Fitzpatrick	X		