

VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

MEETING DATE: March 26, 2024

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Resolutions

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 6

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Resolution: Consider a resolution adopting the Pro-Housing

Communities Pledge

ITEM BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. Draft resolution

RESOLUTION - 2024

RESOLUTION OF THE DOBBS FERRY BOARD OF TRUSTEES ADOPTING THE PRO-HOUSING COMMUNITIES PLEDGE

WHEREAS, the Village of Dobbs Ferry believes that the lack of housing for New York residents of all ages and income levels is a crisis that negatively impacts the future of New York State's economic growth and affects regional and community well-being; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Dobbs Ferry believes that every community must do their part to contribute to housing growth and share in the benefits from the positive impacts a healthy housing market brings to communities; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Dobbs Ferry believes that supporting the production of a variety of housing options in our community will bring multiple benefits, including increasing housing access and choices for current and future residents, providing integrated accessible housing options that meet the needs of people with sensory and mobility disabilities, bringing economic opportunities and vitality to our communities, and allowing workers at all levels to improve their quality of life through living closer to employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Dobbs Ferry believes that evidence demonstrates that infill development reduces sprawl and supports walkable communities which result in significant environmental and public health benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Dobbs Ferry believes that affirmatively furthering fair housing and reducing segregation is not only required by law but is essential for keeping our community strong and vibrant.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that, as evidence of the Village of Dobbs Ferry's commitment to undertaking efforts toward alleviating the effects of the housing crisis, the Village Board of Trustees hereby adopts the Pro-Housing Communities pledge which lists the following as steps designed to meet the challenges caused by the housing crisis:

- 1. Streamlining permitting for multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.
- 2. Adopting policies that affirmatively further fair housing.
- 3. Incorporating regional housing needs into planning decisions.
- 4. Increasing development capacity for residential uses.
- 5. Enacting policies that encourage a broad range of housing development, including multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.