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RESOLUTION NO. 2022-14

SUBJECT: Resolution Declaring Intent to Waive Connection Fees for Nordic Cottages

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POULSBO, WASHINGTON, DECLARING THE CITY COUNCIL'S INTENT UNDER RCW 35.83.030 – COOPERATION IN UNDERTAKING HOUSING PROJECTS – TO WAIVE CONNECTION FEES FOR THE NORDIC COTTAGES PROJECT, THE DEVELOPMENT OF WHICH IS UNDERTAKEN IN PARTNERSHIP WITH HOUSING KITSAP, A PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY, PURSUANT TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ADOPTED VIA RESOLUTION NO. 2022-13.

WHEREAS, the City of Poulsbo ("City") has experienced significant growth in its population for the last several years, a trend that is expected to continue for the foreseeable future, resulting in an increased demand for housing; and

WHEREAS many factors outside the City's control have contributed to the underproduction of housing that is affordable to low-income households; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2020-20 adopted September 16, 2020, the Poulsbo City Council dedicated land located at 609 NE Lincoln Road, Poulsbo, WA for an affordable housing project now known as the Nordic Cottages Project ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2022-05 adopted January 19, 2022, the Poulsbo City Council executed an Interlocal Agreement with Housing Kitsap, a public housing authority, for Housing Kitsap to serve as project manager of the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2022-13, adopted July 6, 2022, the Poulsbo City Council approved an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with Housing Kitsap to provide for joint project development and long-term property management of the Nordic Cottages once the Project is completed; and

WHEREAS, the City applied for and received a grant from the Washington State Department of Commerce ("Commerce Grant"), to fund, in part, the development of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Commerce Grant requires that if the grant includes system development charges, the City needs to provide documentation of the waived charges; and

WHEREAS, RCW 35.83.010 states in part that it is a proper public purpose for any state public body, including cities, to aid any housing authority operating within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, RCW 35.83.030(5) and RCW 35.83.030(9) further clarify that for the purpose of aiding and cooperating in the planning, undertaking, construction or operation of housing projects located within the City, the City may cause services to be furnished to the housing authority of the character which the City is otherwise empowered to furnish, and to incur the entire expense of any public improvements made by the City in exercising the powers granted in this chapter; and

WHEREAS, the City and Housing Kitsap are jointly undertaking the development of the Nordic Cottages affordable housing project; and

WHEREAS, under the authority provided for in Chapter 35.83 RCW, and for the purposes of aiding and cooperating in the undertaking of the Nordic Cottages affordable housing project, the City declares its intent to waive the connection charges for the Nordic Cottages Project contingent upon the Department of Commerce reimbursement to the City for the waived fees; and

WHEREAS, to the extent necessary to further implement this authority, the City also declares its intent to adopt a program to pursuant to RCW 35.92.380 to waive connection fees for

housing intended for low-income households, defined as households with an income of less than

eighty percent of area median income (AMI); and

WHEREAS, the Poulsbo City Council finds that this Resolution is in the best interests of

the public health, safety, and welfare;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POULSBO, WASHINGTON, HEREBY

RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Findings.</u> The City Council hereby adopts the foregoing recitals as findings Section 1.

in support of this Resolution.

Section 2. **Waiver of Connection Fees for Nordic Cottages.** The City Council hereby

waives the connection fees for the Nordic Cottages Affordable Housing Project contingent upon

the Department of Commerce reimbursing the City for the waive fees.

RESOLVED this 6th day of July, 2022.

APPROVED:

MAYOR, BECKY ERICKSON

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

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CITY CLERK, RHIANNON FERNANDEZ, CMC

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