Fiscal Year 2026 Recommended Funding Plan for Local Affordable Housing Funding Program



Town Council Meeting September 10, 2025

Recommended Action

Approve the recommended funding plan for the local affordable housing funding program as outlined in X-X.

Legislative Context

- In January 2025, Council authorized staff to establish and administer a unified local Affordable Housing Funding Program (AHFP)
- Council must approve funding allocations exceeding \$100,000
- Voters approved bond referendums in 2018 and 2024 that include a total of \$25 million for affordable housing



AHFP Allocation Strategy Priorities

- Rental housing for households earning 50% or below of Area Median Income (AMI, ~\$60,000 for family of 4)
- High impact projects
- Shovel ready projects
- Close to frequent public transit
- High leverage
- Environmentally friendly and sustainable design



Funding Plan Highlights

- Allocates \$4.185 Million from 2018 and 2024 bond funding and AHFP
- Supports development of 190 affordable units and acquisition of 4 units
- All units will support households earning 60% AMI or less, including 4 units serving households earning 30% AMI or less
- Leverages about \$60.8 Million in outside funding

FY 2026 Funding Applications

- Released up to \$4 million in local funding on June 26, 2025
- Staff reviewed 4 funding requests totaling \$5.3 million and assembled a recommended funding plan



Fiscal Year 2026 Funding Requests

Organization	Project	Request
Community Home Trust	Rosemary Place Foundation Repair	\$ 50,000
Habitat	Carver Street Townhome Development	\$ 1,065,000
HOPE NC	Affordable Rental Housing Acquisition at Weavers Grove	\$ 185,000
Taft-Mills Group	Hillside Trace Affordable Housing Development	\$ 4,000,000
	Total	\$ 5,300,000



Recommended Funding Plan: Hillside Trace

- Recommendation: \$4,000,000 (\$21,052 per unit)
- Partner: Taft-Mills Group
- Gap financing for construction of 190 apartments
- Affordability: Up to 60% AMI for 30 years



Recommended Funding Plan: Rental Housing Acquisition at Weavers Grove

- Recommendation: \$185,000 (\$46,250 per unit)
- Partner: HOPE NC
- Acquisition of 4 apartments for adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD)

 Affordability: up to 30% AMI for 30 years (99 years at 80% AMI)



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