



Legislation Text

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Electing to participate in the Local Housing Incentives Account Program under the Metropolitan Livable Communities Act calendar years 2021 through 2030.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Livable Communities Act (Minnesota Statutes sections 473.25 to 473.255) establishes a Metropolitan Livable Communities Fund which is intended to address housing and other development issues facing the metropolitan area defined by Minnesota Statutes section 473.121; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Livable Communities Fund, comprising the Tax Base Revitalization Account, the Livable Communities Demonstration Account, the Local Housing Incentive Account and the Inclusionary Housing Account, is intended to provide certain funding and other assistance to metropolitan-area municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul regularly applies for and receives pre-development, brownfield investigation and clean-up, and development pass-through grant funding through the LCDA and TBRA grant programs under the Metropolitan Livable Communities Fund, and has been a long participant in the Livable Communities Act; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Livable Communities Act requires that each municipality establish affordable and life-cycle housing goals for that municipality that are consistent with and promote the policies of the Metropolitan Council as provided in the adopted Metropolitan Development Guide; and

WHEREAS, a metropolitan-area municipality can participate in the Local Housing Incentives Account Program under Minnesota Statutes section 473.254 if:

- a) the municipality elects to participate in the Local Housing Incentives Program;
- b) the Metropolitan Council and the municipality successfully negotiate new affordable and life-cycle housing goals for the municipality;
- c) the Metropolitan Council adopts by resolution the new negotiated affordable and life-cycle housing goals for the municipality; and
- d) the municipality establishes it has spent or will spend or distribute to the Local Housing Incentives Account the required Affordable and Life-Cycle Housing Opportunities Amount (ALHOA) for each year the municipality participates in the Local Housing Incentives Account Program; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Saint Paul approved RES 19-129 and RES 19-167 authorizing the proposed 2040 Comprehensive Plan, including the Comprehensive Sewer Plan, to be submitted to the Metropolitan Council for review; and

WHEREAS, at its regular meeting on November 4, 2020, the Metropolitan Council completed its review of the proposed 2040 Comprehensive Plan and the Comprehensive Sewer Plan and found that the Plan meets the requirements of the Metropolitan Land Planning Act; conforms to the metropolitan system plans for transportation (including aviation), water resources, and parks; is consistent with Thrive MSP 2040; and is compatible with the plans of adjacent jurisdictions and affected special districts and school districts; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Livable Communities Act requires a Livable Communities Act-participating community's comprehensive plan update to be found consistent with Metropolitan Council policies. Now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Saint Paul:

1. Elects to participate in the Local Housing Incentives Program under the Metropolitan Livable Communities Act for calendar years 2021 through 2030.
2. Agrees to the following affordable and life-cycle housing goals for calendar years 2021 through 2030:

Affordable Housing Goals Range	Life-Cycle Housing Goal
1,085-1,973	6,700

3. Will prepare and submit to the Metropolitan Council a plan identifying the actions it plans to take to meet its established housing goals.