

CITY OF OCEANSIDE HOUSING COMMISSION  
FY 2020 – 2022 WORKPLAN

1.0 MISSION STATEMENT

The City of Oceanside Housing Commission considers and makes recommendations to the City Council on policies pertaining to programs for low- and moderate-income housing and homelessness. The Housing Commission also serves as the “Community Development Advisory Committee” (C.D.A.C.) pursuant to City Council Ordinance No. 95-001. The Chair and Vice-Chair also serve on the Relocation Appeals Board. The Housing Commission also considers and makes recommendations to the City Council on programs and policies to promote the diversity of the community, including but not limited to, senior citizens, youth, minority groups, LGBTQ and disabled persons. The Commission was established by the City Council on March 27, 1991.

In order to facilitate its mission, the Commission reviews proposed and existing low and moderate income housing programs administered by the Oceanside Neighborhood Services Department. The Commission’s purpose is to communicate to the City Council recommended courses of action relating to housing issues. The Commission acts in an advisory capacity.

2.0 COMPOSITION

The Commission is composed of nine (9) regular voting members and alternates, if any, as appointed by the Mayor and ratified by the City Council. Two members of the Commission shall be tenant members; one senior representative.

Present Commissioners:

Inez Williams	(Chair)
Linda Walshaw	(Vice-Chair)
Joe Whip	
Marshall Glos	
Lawrence Kornit	
Natasha Howell	
Eileen Costa	
Ashley Keller	
Sherry Schacht	
Sheila Lewis	
Vanessa Webster	

City Council Liaison	Esther Sanchez
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3.0 STRUCTURE

Committees will be appointed on an ad-hoc basis as necessary to accommodate the work of the Commission. In all cases, committees shall conduct their mission in compliance with the revised Brown Act.

#### 4.0 GENERAL GOALS AND TASKS

The Commission desires to encourage community participation in the decision-making process. Toward that goal, the Commission shall endeavor to:

- a) Inform citizens of the programs and projects under consideration.
- b) Promote public comment on housing policies and programs.
- c) Encourage volunteer efforts when specific outreach efforts are scheduled.
- d) Advocate citizen involvement in civic issues.

The Commission shall promote open communication and interaction between the Commission, law and code enforcement agencies. The Commission shall promote open communication to the City Council regarding Commission activities via Liaison. Periodically, the Commission Chair or an appointed Commissioner, by direction of the Commission, may seek to address the full City Council regarding a specific housing issue or to express a Commission recommendation.

#### 4.1 SPECIFIC GOALS AND TASKS

The Commission shall continue to evaluate and make recommendations to the City Council regarding programs and/or projects presented by the Housing staff related to low and moderate-income housing and homelessness:

- a) **HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAMS** – The Commission shall continue to evaluate, promote, and recommend programs that increase homeownership.
- b) **MOBILE HOME PARKS** – The Commission shall monitor the circumstances of the park residents and when possible, promote and accommodate park ownership by residents or non-profit housing agencies.
- c) **REGIONAL TASK FORCE ON THE HOMELESS** – The Commission shall monitor and support local efforts to implement regional solutions to the current housing conditions by supporting the Annual Point in Time count.
- d) **STATE AND FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING** – The Commission shall support State and Federal Fair Housing laws.
- e) **ACCESSIBILITY** – The Commission shall be supportive of A.D.A. and housing accessibility needs in order to foster independent living for Oceanside residents.
- f) **CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY PLAN**– The Commission shall review the Oceanside Consolidated Plan and Public Housing Agency Plan on an annual and a five–year basis as required by HUD.

- g) **HOUSING ELEMENT** – The Commission shall support, promote, and recommend policies and programs in compliance with the Housing Element. Priority shall be given to cost-effective plans that generate Housing Element credits.
- h) **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-HOME FUNDS**  
The Commission shall make recommendations to the City Council regarding housing programs for Community Development Block Grant and HOME funds.
- i) **APARTMENT VACANCY RATES** – The Commission shall obtain and monitor apartment vacancy rates.
- j) **SENIOR AND SPECIAL NEEDS** – The Commission shall evaluate, monitor and when possible, promote independent living for Seniors and the Special Needs population.
- k) **NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION** – The Commission shall continue to support programs and goals as defined in the Crown Heights Eastside Revitalization Plan.
- l) **HOMELESSNESS** – The Commission shall evaluate, review and make recommendations on programs, policies and plans for addressing homelessness.
- m) **ENERGY EFFICIENCY** – The Commission shall encourage energy efficient building practices in the development of new or rehabilitated affordable and market-rate residential units.
- n) **CELEBRATE DIVERSITY** – The Commission shall celebrate the diversity of Oceanside by promoting and advocating for events that advance equality. This includes, but is not limited to, celebrating and recognizing the contribution of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with the Community Service Award and the Martin Luther King Scholarship program, Juneteenth, and Pride at the Beach.
- o) **ALLIANCE FOR REGIONAL SOLUTIONS** – The Commission will support the regional collaboration as it reacts to Housing and emerging issues as appropriate.

#### 4.2 SPECIFIC GOALS AND TASKS FOR COMMUNITY RELATIONS PROGRAM

The Commission shall continue to evaluate and make recommendations to the City Council regarding programs and/or projects presented by the Housing staff related to the Community Relations Program:

- a) **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD** – The Commission shall coordinate the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Service Award program and participate in appropriate celebrations around the Martin Luther King, Jr. commemorative holiday in January. The Commission Chairperson shall appoint a Community Service Award Selection Committee comprised of two commissioners and up to ten persons comprised of a representative from the North San Diego County Branch of the NAACP and seven past recipients of the award.
- b) **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM** – The commission shall manage the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program. The Commission shall appoint a Scholarship Selection Committee comprised of two commissioners and nine members of the community including the Resource Director and a representative from the North San Diego County Branch of the NAACP. The Resource Director will make recommendations to the Chair on the appointments to review applications and award the scholarships.

The Commission shall host an annual fund-raising event for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program. The Commission as a whole together with interested members of the community shall assist the Resource Director in planning the event. No public funds shall be used in the scholarship programs.