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Substitute resolution authorizing participation in the County and Cities Housing Committee.

This resolution authorizes the proper City officials to participate in the County and Cities Housing Committee established by Milwaukee County.

Whereas, Milwaukee County has established a County and Cities Housing Committee comprised of members of the community, policymakers, and staff to discuss housing-related issues across Milwaukee County and its municipalities and to provide recommendations for improvement; and

Whereas, A committee including members of the community, a landlord, and legal housing experts who work in conjunction with the Department of Health and Human Services' Housing Division could aid in the County's strategic plans to address housing insecurity, eviction prevention, and homelessness; and

Whereas, The Common Council recognizes the need for housing for all members of the community and has dedicated funding for housing in both its annual budget and through American Rescue Plan Act grant funding; and

Whereas, The County recognizes in its legislation that it is beneficial for City officials to provide a more comprehensive view of housing issues, given varying roles and expertise; and

Whereas, The County and Cities Housing Committee provides a forum for members of the community, who are on the frontlines of housing insecurities issues, to exchange information with local government officials and to offer recommendations to assist the County and other local entities in making more effective and equitable decisions relating to housing issues; and

Whereas, The County's ordinance s. 46.12 to 46.18 provides that the Committee is comprised of 21 voting members, including the City's Common Council President or designee, Commissioner of City Development or designee, and Commissioner of Neighborhood Services or designee, and 6 community members appointed by the Chair of the Community and Economic Development Committee and approved by the Common Council; and,

Whereas, There is an intent to draft a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and County relating to staffing and resources dedicated to the Committee; and

Whereas, There is an intent to form work groups or subcommittees relating to topics including, but not limited to, issues relating to Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee; fair lending; homelessness and eviction; special purpose housing; fair housing and discriminatory practices; healthy, livable, and affordable housing; Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility; housing for undocumented residents; landlord accountability; renters' resources and protection; homeowners' resources and protection; and Section 8; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the proper City officials are authorized to participate in the County and Cities Housing Committee; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Common Council President or designee shall report on the activities and recommendations of the County and Cities Housing Committee 3 months after the adoption of this resolution and every 3 months thereafter until the body is dissolved.

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