

Resolution 21 –

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPOINTING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PROGRAM (“SHIP”); PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida recognize the necessity for providing to all persons the opportunity to have access to safe, decent, and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, it is a goal of the City of Port St. Lucie to facilitate the provision of an adequate supply of safe, sanitary and affordable housing to meet the needs of the City’s residents with special attention to the needs of very low and low-income households; and

WHEREAS, the William E. Sadowski Affordable Housing Act (the “Housing Act”), now part of Florida Statutes Chapter 420, was signed into law on July 7, 1992; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Act established a dedicated revenue source for affordable housing which will, in part, be distributed by the State to various local governments through the State Housing Initiative Partnership Program (“SHIP”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 420, Florida Statutes, in order for the City of Port St. Lucie to be eligible for State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program Funds, the City is required to establish an affordable housing advisory committee through enactment of an ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Port St. Lucie has established Chapter 100, the City’s Local Housing Assistance Ordinance which provides for creation of an affordable housing advisory committee; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 100 provides that the members of the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee shall be appointed by Resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, currently, it is necessary to make appointments to the Affordable Housing Committee.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE FLORIDA:

Section 1: Recitals. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

Section 2: Appointment of Members. The following individuals are appointed as members of the Affordable Housing Committee for the State Housing Initiatives Program (SHIP):

AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE		
APPLICANT	POSITION: One citizen who is	POSITION/EXPERTISE
Robert Calhoun	Actively engaged residential home building industry in connection with affordable housing	St. Lucie Habitat for Humanity CEO
Samiea Hawkins	Advocate for low-income persons in connection with affordable housing	Seminole Tribe of Florida Housing Office Coordinator
Melissa Winstead	Actively engaged as a for-profit provider of affordable housing	St. Lucie Habitat for Humanity Development Director
Patricia Garcia-King	Actively engaged real estate professional in connection with affordable housing	Keller Williams Realty of Port St. Lucie Sales Associate
Stephanie Heidt	Actively serves on local planning agency pursuant to Florida Statutes 163.3174	Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council Economic Development and Intergovernmental Programs Director
Nicole Fisher	Actively resides within the jurisdiction of the local governing body	Martin County School District Director of Assessment and Accountability
Lisa Heintz	Represents employers within the jurisdiction	Publix Registered Pharmacy Technician
Bryan Gerner	Represents employers within the jurisdiction	Comcast Business Regional Sales Director

Section 3: Term. The term of office shall be one (1) year. The term may be extended by an additional one (1) year term by a vote of the majority of the committee.

Section 4. Conflict. If any resolutions, or parts of resolutions, are in conflict herewith, this Resolution shall control to the extent of the conflicting provisions.

Section 5. Severability. The provisions of this Resolution are intended to be severable. If any part of this Resolution is determined to be void or is declared illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Resolution shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, this ____ day of _____, 2021.

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE

ATTEST:

By: _____
Gregory J. Oravec, Mayor

Sally Walsh, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

James D. Stokes, City Attorney