DISCUSSION/DIRECTION DOUGLAS COUNTY HOUSING PARTNERSHIP FEE WAIVER REQUEST

JUNE 2, 2020



FEE WAIVER REQUEST

- Douglas County Housing Partnership (DCHP) requests a \$200,000 fee waiver for its Oakwood Senior II attainable housing project
- Supported by Douglas County, Castle Rock Senior Center and Aging Resources of Douglas County
- Total project cost estimated to be \$15,869,022
- Total project fees estimated to be \$961,499 including permitting, impact and system development fees
- Located at 501 Oakwood Drive in District 4 (Councilmember Bower)



OAKWOOD SENIOR APARTMENTS

- Currently consists of 64-unit attainable senior housing units, as approved in 1983
- Owned by Douglas County Housing
 Partnership
- Amended plan approved by Town Council in October 2019 to increase to 109 total units
- Proposed project removes one existing apartment building, the clubhouse and leasing center – replaces them with new leasing and amenity center and additional attainable senior apartments to reach total of 109 units



FEE WAIVER AUTHORITY

The Town's Municipal Code provides Town Council authority to attainable housing fee waivers:

§3.16.050 - Attainable housing fee reduction.

A qualifying attainable housing project shall be eligible to receive up to a one-hundred-percent reduction, per qualifying attainable housing unit, in the amount of the otherwise applicable development impact fees.

§13.12.080 - System development fees.

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A qualifying attainable housing project and unit shall be defined as a housing project or unit participating in an attainable or affordable housing program through the Douglas County Housing Partnership, Colorado Housing Finance Authority or other certified local, state or federal attainable housing program. An application for this attainable housing fee reduction must be approved by the Town Council.

TOWN USE OF FEE WAIVERS

- Auburn Ridge (80 attainable housing units): \$200,000
- In addition to attainable housing projects, the Town has utilized fee waivers on economic assistance projects:
 - Mercantile Commons (\$290,000)
 - Riverwalk (\$3.6M)
 - Encore (\$2.65M)
- Note that in previous cases, the Town funds impacted by the fee waiver were made whole by use of the General Fund, Economic Development Fund or with the downtown tax increment financing (TIF) mechanism. However, Town Code does not require that impacted funds be repaid for Council approved fee waivers.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

 If approved by Town Council, staff recommends distributing the fee waiver request proportionally across all impact and system development fees

	Project Fees		Fee Waiver	Revised Fees	
Permit & Other Fees	\$	190,228	\$-	\$	190,228
Parks & Recreation Impact Fee		208,260	(54,008)		154,252
Municipal Facilities Impact Fee		10,935	(2,836)		8,099
Fire Impact Fee		33,390	(8,659)		24,731
Police Impact Fee		16,740	(4,341)		12,399
Transportation Impact Fee		380,610	(98,703)		281,907
Stormwater System Development Fee		36,990	(9,593)		27,397
Water System Development Fee		12,201	(3,164)		9,037
Water Resources System Development Fee		58,698	(15,222)		43,476
Wastewater System Development Fee		13,397	(3,474)		9,923
Total	\$	961,449	\$ (200,000)	\$	761,449

RECOMMENDATION

- Staff recommends approval of the DCHP fee waiver request of \$200,000, with the requirement that the applicant must pull necessary permits by December 31, 2020
- Given current economic uncertainty, the funds affected by the waived fees would not be repaid from another funding source to compensate for lost revenue

NEXT STEPS

 Pending Town Council approval, next steps would be to generate an agreement between the Town and Douglas County Housing Partnership regarding the fee waiver – this agreement can be approved administratively



QUESTIONS?



PROPOSED MOTION

"I MOVE TO APPROVE A \$200,000 FEE WAIVER FOR DOUGLAS COUNTY HOUSING PARTNERSHIP RELATED TO THE OAKWOOD II ATTAINABLE SENIOR LIVING PROJECT ASSUMING THE APPLICANT PULLS NECESSARY PERMITS BY DECEMBER 31, 2020."