

RESOLUTION NO. 15-031

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO INVESTIGATE AND PRESENT OPTIONS TO THE CITY COMMISSION TO INCREASE AFFORDABLE AND WORKFORCE HOUSING UNITS BY RESPONSIBLY INCREASING DENSITY AND HEIGHT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the city Commission recognizes the continued need for affordable and workforce housing in the City of Key West; and

WHEREAS, the lack of availability of buildable land within the city presents challenges to the development of housing not faced in most other communities; and

WHEREAS, reasonably increasing the permissible number of units on a parcel is one possible way to gain additional housing;

WHEREAS, reasonably increasing the permissible height of buildings is an additional way to increase the number of affordable or workforce housing units

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the City Manager is hereby directed to investigate areas of the City where density and/or height could be increased specifically for affordable and workforce housing.

Section 2: That City Staff shall present the City Commission options regarding the reasonable range of density and height increases and the resulting affordable or workforce housing that could be created.

Section 3: That the City Commission shall also be informed of potential specific locations where height limits could be increased by referendum to provide expanded options for affordable and workforce housing.

Section 4: That staff shall further inform the City Commission on the timelines and process to implement land development regulation changes in density and height to increase affordable and workforce housing.

Section 5: That staff's efforts with respect to any increase in density or height should exclusively focus on affordable and workforce housing, while increases for market rate housing shall not be considered.

Section 6: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this 21 day of January, 2015.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on 22 day of January, 2015.

Filed with the Clerk on January 22, 2015.

Mayor Craig Cates	<u>Absent</u>
Vice Mayor Mark Rossi	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Teri Johnston	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Clayton Lopez	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Tony Yaniz	<u>Yes</u>


MARK ROSSI, VICE MAYOR

ATTEST


CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK