

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: August 9, 2022

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Angela I. Carmon, City Attorney

Council Action Requested:

Ordinance Amending Chapters 10, 26, and 62 of the Winston-Salem City Code relating to Liens and Affordable Housing

Strategic Focus Area: Livable Neighborhoods
Strategic Objective: Affordable Housing
Strategic Plan Action Item: Affordable Housing
Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

In June 2022, City Council adopted an affordable housing program requiring certain affordability periods when city owned property or city funds are used to generate housing for low-and-moderate income persons. For single family housing, the affordability period is at least 15 years and for multifamily housing the affordability period is at least 30 years. Currently, Chapters 10, 26, and 62 contain language that allows City Council to reduce or waive sanitation and demolition liens if the property is dedicated to the provision of affordable housing for a period of 30 years. The proposed ordinance amendment, which is recommended for your approval, will bring the affordability period for sanitation and demolition liens in line with the affordability period set forth in the recently adopted affordable housing program.

Committee Action:

Committee	CDHGG 8/9/22	Action	Approval
For	Unanimous	Against	

Remarks: