

RESOLUTION NO. 92

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) has endorsed the Fair Share housing plan; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development has promised a "bonus" of federally-assisted housing units to the Washington Metropolitan area "to reward" efforts to accomplish the plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria is the only Northern Virginia jurisdiction to provide a substantial and significant public housing and low and moderate income housing plant and has been engaged for more than a generation in programs to provide this type housing (approximately 1,200 units); and

WHEREAS, Alexandria is proceeding with plans to provide additional low and moderate income rental and ownership housing in its Dip Urban Renewal Project and additional public housing units for the elderly in Cameron Valley; and

WHEREAS, private developers are proceeding with plans to construct additional low and moderate income 236 rental units within the City of Alexandria which, when combined with the City's program, may provide an increased number of public-assisted housing units within the City of Alexandria in the next several years; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that low and moderate income families be provided adequate housing in decent neighborhoods in Northern Virginia and the rest of the Metropolitan Washington area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, hereby endorses the concept of the Fair Share housing plan, with the understanding that:

1. The formula will guarantee the achievement of true fair share and the easing of pressures to satisfy Regional demands within Alexandria.
2. The formula will assist implementation of the City's Dip Rental and Homeownership Urban Renewal Project, the Housing for the Elderly Project at Cameron Valley, and to redevelop or rehabilitate existing outmoded public housing units in Cameron Valley.
3. COG staff will refine the Fair Share housing formula and supporting data to assure an equitable distribution of the various types of federally-assisted housing units, including public housing, among Northern Virginia and other Metropolitan Washington jurisdictions.
4. The formula also will be refined to take account of rehabilitation and replacement of outmoded existing public housing units in Cameron Valley, as distinguished from allocations for wholly new projects.
5. COG staff will take full account of these considerations affecting Alexandria in the course of A-95 and other area-wide reviews of applications for federally-aided housing.

Adopted February 23, 1972

Mrs. Helen Vickers, City Clerk  
and Clerk of Council