



2024 Legislative Affairs Priorities

HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE

Position Statement

ChamberWest recognizes that appropriate housing can and does have a significant impact on existing and future businesses and is a vital part of a thriving community and economic system.

As such, we support a broad spectrum of housing with the following objectives;

- Ensure appropriate housing is available and attainable in a balance of price points, styles and types to attract and house a local labor force to reduce overall employment related travel;
- Minimize barriers, including exercising restraint in impact and permit fee increases;
- Encourage local governments to achieve a full range of housing opportunities within the same geographical areas as businesses;
- Support successful housing practices that supports owner occupancy and provides a balanced housing mix;
- Work with local governments to ensure appropriate housing availability for all income levels and life stages near employment centers, public transportation, and other amenities;
- Encourage affordable housing especially for members of the workforce making lower wages;
- Encourage decision makers to align housing, infrastructure, transportation, and economic development efforts;
- Promote collaboration with other communities, elected officials, and stakeholders on additional solutions;
- Support efforts to assist homeless individuals and families who are willing with education, employment, etc;
- Support homeless programs that maintain a stable and safe community for businesses, employees, and customers.

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