

**Subject:** Multi-Family and Senior Living Residential Goals (Planning Policy)

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**BACKGROUND:** The City of Woodstock believes that uncoordinated and unplanned growth together with a lack of common goals toward land conservation pose a threat to the environment, to public health and welfare and to sustainable economic development.

The City desires to develop Planning Policies intended to provide the guiding goals, objectives, policies and strategies used to guide the development and adoption of the comprehensive plan and development regulations of the City of Woodstock. The categories in which goals are to be developed include, growth, sprawl reduction, transportation, housing, economic development, open space and recreation, environment, public facilities and services, education and historic preservation.

The City Council encourages the availability of housing to all economic segments of the population and promotes a variety of residential densities and housing types. In determining the suitability of the location and identification of sites for apartments, the Council considered the availability and proximity of adequate transportation, land use, neighborhood compatibility and the availability of public services for the community.

**GOAL:**

The City's long-term plans provide for sufficient multi-family and senior living use land within the City of Woodstock at densities to meet the current and future needs of the local population. The number of multi-family units (apartments) shall not exceed 20% of the total number of households within the current or future corporate limits of the City of Woodstock and the number of senior living units shall not exceed 5% of the total number of households within the current or future corporate limits of the City of Woodstock.

An inventory and analysis of existing and projected housing in the City of Woodstock has been acknowledged by the City and it has been determined that the ratio of single-family and apartments/senior living is estimated at 72% to 28% at the time of revision of this policy.