SUMMIT COUNTY, UTAH
ORDINANCE NO. 905

AMENDING THE SNYDERVILLE BASIN GENERAL PLAN RELATED TO CHAPTER 6, “HOUSING ELEMENT”

WHEREAS, the current Snyderville Basin General Plan (“General Plan”) was adopted on June 17, 2015 by Ordinance 839; and

WHEREAS, the General Plan, as required by Utah law, includes Chapter 6, “Housing Element,” the purpose of which is to “[p]rovide equal housing opportunities for all residents of the [Snyderville] Basin by facilitating reasonable opportunities for a variety of housing, including low and moderate income housing”; and

WHEREAS, the Utah State legislature adopted Senate Bill 34 during the 2019 legislative session, which requires counties and municipalities to include specific moderate-income housing strategies, as outlined in the bill, that must be included in a jurisdiction’s general plan in order to be considered for certain state transportation funding; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 34 also requires such general plan updates in order to meet certain reporting requirements that must be turned into Utah Workforce Services by December 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, while the current General Plan does meet some of the moderate-income housing strategies outlined in Senate Bill 34, further General Plan updates are needed in order to meet the State’s reporting requirements; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2019, the Snyderville Basin Planning Commission held a public hearing on amendments to Chapter 6, “Housing Element” of the General Plan and voted to forward a positive recommendation to the Summit County Council on changes to Chapter 6 of the General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Summit County Council held a public hearing on proposed changes to Chapter 6 of the General Plan on November 25, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the revised General Plan is consistent with the required changes outlined in Senate Bill 34 and is in the best interests of the citizens of the Snyderville Basin.

NOW THEREFORE, the County Legislative Body of the County of Summit, the State of Utah, hereby ordains the following:

Section 1. SNYDERVILLE BASIN GENERAL PLAN
The Snyderville Basin General Plan is amended as depicted in Exhibit A.
Section 2. Effective Date
This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after the date of its publication.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, PASSED and ordered published by the Summit County Council, this 25th day of November, 2019.

SUMMIT COUNTY COUNCIL
SUMMIT COUNTY, UTAH

By: 

Council Chair

Councilor Carson voted
Councilor Armstrong voted
Councilor Wright voted
Councilor Robinson voted
Councilor Clyde voted

Approved as to form

[Signature]

Helm Steachan
Chapter 6
Housing and Moderate-Income Housing Element

GOAL: Provide equal housing opportunities to meet the needs of people of various income levels living, working, or desiring to live or work in the Basin by facilitating reasonable opportunities for a variety of housing, including low and moderate income housing, both rental and for sale.

OBJECTIVE A: Develop strategies to ensure that an adequate supply of housing is provided that meets the needs of various moderate and low-income groups living, working, or desiring to live or work in the Basin identified in the Housing Needs Assessment and/or Department of Workforce Services database, as updated.

Policy 6.1: Identify and implement a wide range of strategies to increase housing density and diversity in appropriate locations. Such strategies may include:

   a) Increasing allowed densities for affordable housing projects where appropriate and where adequate levels of services and amenities and transit can be provided, or the impact otherwise mitigated.

   b) Requiring new residential development to allocate a percentage of the units to be affordable.

   c) Requiring commercial, industrial, and resort projects to provide housing for a percentage of their projected workforce.

   d) Requiring a long term commitment of affordability.

   e) Cooperating with surrounding jurisdictions in the development and implementation of regional affordable housing strategies.

   f) Explore the creation of a Summit County Housing Authority and/or regional housing authority.

   g) Incorporate the definition of “Middle Income Housing” in the Development Code and other policy documents.

   h) Beginning in 2020, conduct a biennial review of Chapter 5, Affordable Housing, Snyderville Basin Development Code and update the County’s inclusionary housing ordinance as necessary.

Policy 6.2: Encourage the private sector to build affordable housing.

Policy 6.3: Support a variety of housing consisting of a balance of types of housing, styles of housing, ownership category, unit sizes, and a range of affordability.

Policy 6.4: Study and implement strategies to achieve attainable housing in the Basin.
Policy 6.5: Allow the development of Single Room Occupancy (SRO) housing, group homes, community housing, emergency shelter and transitional housing, and supported living facilities for the elderly and persons with special housing needs, taking into consideration the proximity to public transportation, shopping, medical services, and other essential support services for the elderly and others with special needs.

Policy 6.6: Allow the development of seasonal housing to address the needs of the resort economy, through cooperation with current and future employers and housing agencies in the area.

Policy 6.7: Support nonprofit agencies and organizations that provide shelter, housing, and related services to low and moderate income households.

Policy 6.8: Support the use of private, local, state, and federal assistance for housing development or preservation.

**OBJECTIVE B:** Support strategies that allow persons with moderate and low incomes to benefit from and fully participate in all aspects of neighborhood and community life.

Policy 6.9: Encourage in-fill housing development in mixed use areas that offer residents easy access to goods, services, jobs, transportation, and recreation.

Policy 6.10: Encourage and incentivize the distribution of workforce housing in the Snyderville Basin.