

# Affordable Housing Fee Discount Policy

## 1.0 Policy Statement

The City of Mount Pearl will consider providing an exemption for the payment of permit and related fees relating to the construction of affordable housing developments by not-for-profit organizations at the discretion of Council. Affordable housing developments that may be considered should incorporate accessibility components and should be marketed toward seniors.

## 2.0 Purpose

The purpose of the Affordable Housing Fee Discount Policy is to promote the construction and development of affordable and accessible housing options, particularly for senior citizens, in the City of Mount Pearl.

## 3.0 Definitions

### **Affordable Rental Housing**

This policy will abide by the definition of Affordable Housing as defined by the Newfoundland and Labrador Housing Corporation.

### **Average Market Housing Rent**

The average monthly rent for comparable rental housing in the City of Mount Pearl and related geographic area as determined by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

### **Permit and Related Fees**

Permit and related fees considered for exemption under this policy will include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following:

- Development fees (e.g. service levies, assessments)
- Water and sewer connection fees
- Cash in lieu of open spaces
- Application fees
- Building permit fees
- Occupancy permit fees

**Not-for-profit Organization**

Any entity recognized as a not-for-profit organization by the Canada Revenue Agency, and registered and in good standing as a not-for-profit organization with the Provincial Registry of Deeds and Companies.

**4.0 Approvals**



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Steve Kent, Chief Administrative Officer

February 21, 2018

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