

City of San Carlos

Nexus Study and Fee Analysis

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Nexus Study

- Analysis founded on economic premise that new housing demand linked to population and job growth.
- New housing units create increased demand for retail goods and services.
- Job growth supported in part by increased spending of household disposable income for retail goods and services.



Nexus Study

- Presents the economics related to the generation of new housing units and the need generated for affordable housing.
- New market rate units create spending, which creates jobs, some of which are low paying.
- Nexus Study findings support the proposed changes to the BMR Ordinance.



Nexus Study Methodology

- Price of market rate units
- Household income need to purchase or rent those units
- New disposable income generates spending and jobs
- IMPLAN Model estimates the number of jobs produced
- Jobs generated are matched with State income data
- Number of jobs converted into the number of households
- Number of affordable households generated is estimated based on household size, income, and County affordability limits



Nexus Study Results

Affordable Housing Impacts Generated by Market Rate Development

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Total Affordable Need Generated

Per 100 Market Rate Units		i otal impacts			
			SFR	SFR	
	Rental	Condo	(Median \$)	(High \$)	
Very Low (50% of AMI)	11%	11%	16%	22%	
Low (80% of AMI)	4%	4%	6%	6%	
Moderate (120% of AMI)	2%	2%	3%	2%	

17%

Total Impacts

24%

31%

17%



Nexus Supported Impact Fee

- The Nexus Study supports a fee equal to that of the affordability gap
- The affordability gap is the difference between the market rate price and the affordable price
- The supportable fees are shown in the following table



Nexus Supported Impact Fee

Nexus Supported Square Foot Impact Fee

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	Rental	Condo
Unit Square Feet	952	1,025
Income Category		
Very Low (50% of AMI)	\$30.58	\$44.64
Low (80% of AMI)	\$9.45	\$13.65
Moderate (120% of AMI)	\$5.25	\$2.23
Total Supported Fee	\$45.28	\$60.52



Fee Recommendations

- Base fee on development funding gap, not affordability gap.
- Development funding gap is the difference between the cost to develop the affordable unit and its value
- The development funding gap is used because it reflects the actual cost to construct the unit, and lessons the impact on developers
- The per square foot cost is phased for projects of less than 7-units to lesson the impact on small projects
- The proposed fees for smaller projects are show in the following tables



Fee Recommendations

Recommended Housing In-Lieu Fee Increments

Applicable Percentage Per Square Foot Fee Fractional Unit Unit 2 28% \$5.76 Unit 3 46% \$9.47 Unit 4 64% \$13.18 Unit 5 82% \$16.88 Unit 6 95% \$19.56 Unit 7 100% \$20.59

Recommended Affordable Housing Impact Fee Increments

Fractional Unit	Applicable Percentage	Per Square Foot Fee
Unit 1	10%	\$2.83
Unit 2	28%	\$7.92
Unit 3	46%	\$13.00
Unit 4	64%	\$18.09
Unit 5	82%	\$23.18
Unit 6	95%	\$26.86
Unit 7	100%	\$28.27

