

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 9/26/02

**FROM: Planning, Policy Development
and Legislation Committee**

For Action

For Information

Meeting Notes

SUBJECT: Affordable Housing in Merced County

PROPOSED MOTION(S): The Committee recommends to the Board that it adopt the attached policy regarding the development of affordable/workforce housing within Merced County.

DISCUSSION: None

ATTACHMENT(S): Proposed Policy

Affordable/Workforce Housing Policy

WHEREAS, the Workforce Investment Board of Merced County recognizes the current and growing need for affordable/workforce housing throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, affordable/workforce housing is a vital component to community economic health and development;

NOW THEREFORE, it is resolved that the Workforce Investment Board of Merced County does hereby adopt the following policy regarding the development of affordable/workforce Housing in Merced county and the political subdivisions therein:

The Workforce Investment Board of Merced County strongly encourages the County of Merced and all appropriate units of government therein to actively pursue the development of affordable/workforce housing by:

- Appointing an affordable/workforce housing task force;
- Implementing a housing trust fund or other instrument to effectively set aside funds;
- Engage in outreach efforts to competent, proven developers of affordable/workforce housing;
- Partner and share resources with large entities, i.e. UC Merced, for resource leveraging; and
- Partner with private industry to develop new innovations in the production of housing.