

Council Communication

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Date July 14, 2008

Agenda Item No. MHGB3
Roll Call No. 08Communication No. 08-422

Submitted by: Chris M. Johansen, Housing

Services Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving an amendment to the City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency Public Housing Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy to include the Family Self-Sufficiency Program Fair Housing Addendum.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of an amendment to the City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency Public Housing Admissions and Continued Occupancy to include the Family Self-Sufficiency Program Fair Housing Addendum.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

Amount: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency received funding last year from HUD for a parttime program coordinator to administer a Public Housing Family Self-Sufficiency Program for Public Housing residents.

The program coordinator provides individual case management to assist clients in achieving goals to become self-sufficient. FSS Coordinators provide training, education, and job development skills to enrolled clients.

As a requirement for submitting a grant application for funding this year, housing agencies must have a Fair Housing Addendum for their Family Self-Sufficiency Program included in their Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy for the Public Housing Program.

The amendment adds language to the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy that references the Fair Housing Addendum. The Fair Housing Addendum outlines steps the housing agency will take to further fair housing in the Public Housing Family Self-Sufficiency Program.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Date: March 24, 2008

Roll Call Number: <u>08-449</u>

<u>Action</u>: Approval of the City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency Five Year and One Year Agency Plans. (<u>Board Communication No. 08-144</u>) Moved by Nesbitt to approve. Motion Carried 8-0.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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