

Council Communication

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Date: April 8, 2013

Agenda Item No. MHGB2
Roll Call No. 13-0523
Communication No. 13-183

Submitted by: Douglas C. Romig,

Housing Services

Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of the City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency (DMMHA) One Year Agency Plan.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend Governing Board approval to submit the One Year Agency Plan and the revised Section 8 Administrative Plan, the Public Housing Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy, the Public Housing Lease Agreement, and the Family Self-Sufficiency Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Manager or his designee to implement the Capital Improvement grant.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$495,059 (Capital Fund)

<u>Funding Source</u>: 2012-2013 Operating budget: Housing Services Department-HSG021100, Page 114. HSG021200, Page 115. HSG021300, Page 116/ HSG021400, Page 117. HSG021500, Page 118.

HSG021600, Page 119

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The 1998 Quality Housing & Work Responsibility Act requires housing authorities to develop and submit to HUD a One Year Agency Plan, which serve as an operations, planning, and management tool for the Housing Agency.

The One Year Plan, with an effective date of July 1, 2013, contains specific operational information and includes the HUD application for capital improvements of \$495,059. The Section 8 Administrative Plan, the Public Housing Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy, the Public Housing Lease Agreement, and the Family Self-Sufficiency Action Plan have also been revised and updated.

The Plans were developed by the Housing Services Board, which held two public working sessions. These sessions were open to the public and videotaped with access to them through the City's website (YouTube videos) and held on November 21, 2012 and January 16, 2013. Notices of the Public Hearing and availability of the "draft" plans for review and comment were published in the Des Moines Register on January 17, 2013. The Plans were available for public review at the Agency's Administrative office and the City's website beginning January 25, 2013, and the public hearing was held on March 13, 2013.

The majority of changes in the One Year Plan were clarification changes based on the Agency's intent in the previously published language. A couple of significant changes include: 1) Added language that as a result of funding shortfalls and in the event DMMHA had to stop issuing Section 8 vouchers, special purpose vouchers would be the last to be stopped and would be issued first when issuing resumed; 2) Changing the amount of time a family is given to repay the full amount of monies owed as a condition of continued assistance from 60 days to 6 months.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

<u>Date</u>: April 9, 2012

Roll Call Number: 12-0502

Action: Approving City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency One-Year Agency Plan. (Board

<u>Communication No. 12-165</u>) Moved by Griess to approve. Motion Carried 5-2.

Date: March 28, 2011

Roll Call Number: 11-0488

Action: Approving City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency One Year Agency Plan. (Board

Communication No. 11-198) Moved by Hensley to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: March 22, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-410

Action: Approval of City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency Five-Year and One-Year Agency

Plan. (Board Communication No. 10-140) Moved by Mahaffey to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Housing Services Board

<u>Date</u>: March 13, 2013

Resolution Number: HSB 13-17

Action: Approval of the One-Year Agency Plan to be submitted to the Municipal Housing Governing

Board for approval.

Board: Housing Services Board

Date: March 21, 2012

Resolution Number: HSB 12-15

<u>Action</u>: Approval of the One-Year Agency Plan to be submitted to the Municipal Housing Governing Board for approval.

Board: Public Housing Board

Date: March 16, 2011

Resolution Number: PH 11-18

<u>Action</u>: Approval of the annual Agency Plan to be submitted to the Municipal Housing Governing Board for approval.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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