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	Agenda Item No. MHGB2 Roll Call No. <u>14-0002</u> Communication No. <u>14-001</u> Submitted by: Douglas C. Romig, Housing Services Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving 2014 Utility Allowance Schedule.

SYNOPSIS:

Approval of the 2014 Utility Allowance Schedule for the Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: To Be Determined

Funding Source: Adjustment to tenant's portion of the rent based on utilities provided within the unit.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Each year the Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency is required to review and adjust its Utility Allowance Schedule. The Utility Allowance Schedule is used to provide a utility allowance for Section 8 and Public Housing residents who pay their own utilities. The Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency hired HAPPY Software Inc. to provide the analysis for electrical and gas for our jurisdiction. Water, sewer, and trash were collected from the Agency's Public Housing units to provide the comparables.

Attached to the Roll Call and by this reference, the Utility Allowance Schedules are being submitted for formal approval to be implemented February 1, 2014 for all new entries and effective at the next annual recertification for existing clients with an effective start date of April 1, 2014. The Utility Allowance Schedule was last revised in 2011 as there were no significant changes within the utility rates.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: December 5, 2011

Roll Call Number: [11-2027](#)

Action: [Approving](#) Utility Allowance Schedules for Public Housing and Section 8. ([Board Communication No. 11-743](#)) Moved by Hensley to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: November 22, 2010

Roll Call Number: [10-1907](#)

Action: [Approval](#) of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency proposed Utility Allowance Schedules effective December 1, 2010. ([Board Communication No. 10-696](#)) Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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