

Council Communication

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Date: May 5, 2014

Agenda Item No. MHGB2 Roll Call No. 14-0665

Communication No. <u>14-215</u>

Submitted by: Douglas C. Romig,

Housing Services Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency (DMMHA) submittal of the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program Coordinators grant application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend Municipal Housing Governing Board approval for submission of the FSS Program Coordinator grant to HUD and authorization for the Mayor to execute and the City Manager or his designee to implement the grant, if awarded.

FISCAL IMPACT:

<u>Amount</u>: \$201,973

Funding Source: 2014-2015 Recommended Operating Budget: Housing Services Department-

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The DMMHA received funding last year from HUD for two (2) full-time program FSS Coordinators to administer the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) FSS Program for HCV participants and received funding last year for one (1) full-time FSS Coordinator to administer the Public Housing Family Self Sufficiency Program. HUD has announced that there are no longer two (2) separate applications for the HCV and Public Housing FSS Programs as they are merging the two FSS programs into one (1).

The FSS Coordinators provide individual case management to assist participants in achieving goals to become self-sufficient. FSS Coordinators provide referrals, training, education, and job development skills to enrolled participants. The DMMHA has provided such a program since 1985 and provided case management to 163 HCV and Public Housing FSS participants during calendar year 2013.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: September 23, 2013

Roll Call Number: 13-1450

<u>Action</u>: <u>Approving</u> City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency submittal of the Public Housing Family Self-Sufficiency Program Coordinator Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). (<u>Board Communication No. 13-475</u>) Moved by Hensley to approve. Motion Carried 5-2. Absent: Cownie and Meyer.

Date: September 23, 2013

Roll Call Number: 13-1449

<u>Action</u>: <u>Approving</u> City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency submittal of the Housing Choice Voucher Family Self-Sufficiency Program Coordinator Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). (<u>Board Communication No. 13-476</u>) Moved by Hensley to approve. Motion Carried 5-2. Absent: Cownie and Meyer.

Date: April 9, 2012

Roll Call Number: 12-0500

<u>Action</u>: <u>Approving</u> City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency submittal of the Housing Choice Voucher Family Self Sufficiency Program Coordinator Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, \$167,473. (<u>Board Communication No. 12-172</u>) Moved by Moore to approve. Motion Carried 5-2.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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