


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	18-604	Meeting:	November 19, 2018
	Agenda Item:	MHGB4	Roll Call:	18-1884
	Submitted by:	Chris Johansen, Community Development Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving the Family Unification Program (FUP) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency (DMMHA) and the Iowa Department of Human Services (IDHS).

SYNOPSIS:

Authorizing the City Manager to execute the FUP, MOU between DMMHA and IDHS. The MOU is required for the administration of 100 family unification vouchers.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced funding availability for Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers through the FUP on September 30, 2009. The DMMHA applied for and was awarded 100 family unification vouchers under that notice.
- HUD's FUP is administered through local level partnerships between public housing authorities and public child welfare agencies.
- A requirement of the administration of the FUP is the execution of a MOU between the DMMHA and a Public Child Welfare Agency responsible for determining that a child is at imminent risk of placement in out-of-home care or that a child in out-of-home care may be returned to his/her family, or that an 18 through 24 (have not reached their 25th birthday) year old individual is transitioning from foster care.
- The DMMHA and the IDHS have a MOU that is currently in effect through November 30, 2018. The IDHS has agreed to continue to provide the required services of the notice of funding ability. Therefore, a new MOU has been negotiated and is being recommended for approval and execution by the City Manager.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Date: November 23, 2009

Resolution Number: [09-2076](#)

Action: [Authorizing](#) submittal of Family Unification Program Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; Approving Memorandum of Understanding with Iowa Department of Human Services-Polk County and approving an amendment to Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan to include the Family Unification Program Fair Housing Addendum. ([Board Communication No. 09-814](#)) Moved by Vlassis to approve. Motion Carried 6-1.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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