

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	24-432	Meeting:	November 4, 2024
	Agenda Item:	MHGB3	Roll Call:	24-1481
	Submitted by:	Chris Johansen, Neighborhood Services Department Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving the amendment to the existing Family Unification Program (FUP) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency (DMMHA) and Iowa Health and Human Services (IHHS).

SYNOPSIS:

Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Amendment to the FUP MOU between the DMMHA and IHHS. The MOU is required for the continued 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 IHHS have an MOU that is currently in effect through November 30, 2024. IHHS has agreed to continue to provide the required services of the notice of funding ability. Therefore, an amendment to the existing MOU extending the current MOU for an additional six (6) years, therefore changing the termination date from November 30, 2024, to November 30, 2030, and changing the name of Iowa Department of Health and Human Services (IDHS) to IHHS is being recommended for approval and execution by the City Manager.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Municipal Housing Governing Board

Date: November 19, 2018

Resolution Number: [18-1884](#)

Action. [Approving](#) the Family Unification Program Memorandum of Understanding between the Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency (DMMHA) and the Iowa Department of Human Services (IDHS). ([Board Communication No. 18-604](#)). Moved by Boesen to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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