★ **Roll Call Number** **Agenda Item Number**

M.H.G.B. -4

Date August 23, 2010

APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CITY OF DES MOINES MUNICIPAL HOUSING AGENCY SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE REGARDING PRORATION OF SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER HOUSING ASSISTANCE IN CASES OF EMERGENCY OR NATURAL DISASTER SITUATIONS

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency administers a Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Program funded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, staff has determined a local need to provide Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher housing assistance for participants who have experienced flooded units earlier than what the current Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan allows; and

WHEREAS, staff have drafted additional language to amend the City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan to give the Director of the Agency discretion to make an exception to the start date of a lease in cases involving an emergency situation or natural disaster, thereby providing prorated housing assistance to participants experiencing these situations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Housing Governing Board of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the language "The DMMHA, may at its sole discretion make an exception to the start date of the lease term to allow for proration of Housing Assistance Payments for instances in which relocation is determined necessary due to emergency situations beyond the participant's control or in situations related to natural disasters." is hereby approved as an amendment to the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, by the Municipal Housing Governing Board of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency Director, or his or her designee, is hereby approved to grant exceptions to the start date of a lease per the approved Administrative Plan language. **(Board Communication No. 10-519)**

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael F. Kelley
Assistant City Attorney

Moved by _____ to approve.

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COWNIE				
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MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

_____ Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City of Des Moines, Municipal Housing Agency Governing Board, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

_____ City Clerk