



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of IGR / Grants & Special Projects

Date: May 1, 2012

To: Honorable Lisa Goodman, Chair, Community Development Committee

Referral to: Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair, Ways and Means/Budget Committee

Subject: 2012 HUD Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)
applications for funding approval

Recommendation:

- 1.) Approve funding from the HUD HOPWA grant to Metropolitan Council Housing and Redevelopment Authority (Metro HRA) not to exceed \$500,000, and Minnesota AIDS Project (MAP) not to exceed \$520,000; and recommend a maximum of \$250,000 be allocated to Clare Housing from available HOPWA funds provided the following conditions are met by Clare Housing on or before 12/31/12: applicant will achieve a successful application for CPED's 2012 tax credit RFP, will have site control for new proposal, and with that, re-apply for these HOPWA funds, subject to City staff approval, otherwise, these funds will be included in the next year 2013 HOPWA RFP.
- 2.) Authorize appropriate City staff to execute the contracts necessary, with applicants identified in #1 above, to implement all available HOPWA grant funds appropriated through 2012 from HUD to the City of Minneapolis, including any unspent HOPWA funds approved from prior years.

Previous Directives: CD April 3, 2012, Authorize the proper City officers to execute and/or amend contracts to carry out the intent of the 2012 Consolidated Plan program allocations, as further detailed in the 2012 Adopted Budget book, Schedule 4 CDBG Program, and expressed in Table 3 contained within the 2012 Consolidated Plan to include CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA entitlement grants.

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Presenters in Committee: Peter O'Toole, Principal Resource Coordinator

Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval: February 27, 2012
- Policy Review Group (PRG): n/a

Financial Impact

- No financial impact
- Other financial impact: None
- Request provided to the Finance Department through PRC and the Committee Coordinator: This is part of HUD sponsored consolidated plan funding included in the annual budget process.

Community Impact

- Other: Provides housing opportunities for persons with HIV/AIDS for the 13 County eligible metropolitan statistical area (ESMA)

Supporting Information:

The City of Minneapolis solicited applications, as it does annually, for HOPWA funding through an RFP announced February 29, 2012. Three organizations applied for funding, and a review committee consisting of the staff from the City of Minneapolis Office of Grants & Special Projects, CPED, Department of Health & Family Support, and Hennepin County, reviewed the applications April 23, 2012. Two proposals (MAP and Metro HRA) are eligible for renewal at similar funding levels as last year. The third application proposal from Clare Housing included acquisition and rehabilitation for a site yet-to-be-determined after the applicant's original housing site proposal fell through the week before applications were due at the City – the review committee recommends that this applicant (Clare Housing) achieve a successful application through CPED's tax credit RFP in July 2012, and with that, re-apply for these HOPWA funds by 12/31/12 further conditional upon the applicant attaining site control by 12/31/12. All three applications are consistent with housing priorities determined by the Minnesota HIV Housing Coalition and the HUD-approved Consolidated Plan, providing HOPWA programming without providing duplicative services.