



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

Date: December 5, 2006

To: Lisa Goodman, Chair, Community Development Committee

Referral to: Ways & Means Committee

Subject: Authorization to contract for unspent 2004 and 2005 Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) grant funds previously released with Council action 2006R-544.

Recommendation: That the proper City officers be authorized to execute and/or amend contracts to distribute unspent 2004 and 2005 HOPWA grant funds (\$119,557.19).

Previous Directives:

Resolution 2006R-544 authorized the release of these 2004 and 2005 grant fund contract obligations that were originally contracted with Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA).

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Approved by: Steven Bosacker, City Coordinator _____

Presenters in Committee: Peter O'Toole

Financial Impact

- No financial impact
- Request provided to the Finance Department when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Supporting Information Required:

Each year HOPWA funds are distributed with the authorization provided through City Council's general appropriation resolution. The funding and contracting processes are described in the annual City- and HUD-approved Consolidated Plan, to distribute HOPWA grant funds to program sponsors to carry out the intention of this program. This year, the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) ceased to be the administrator for this grant. A new Subgrantee/Subrecipient relationship was developed, making this additional request for council action necessary. However the program sponsors, Minnesota Aids Project (MAP), and Metropolitan Housing and Redevelopment Authority (MetroHRA) continue to receive the grant funds for the services they have provided for the past ten years.