

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

Date: October 7, 2008

To: Council Member Lisa Goodman, Community Development Committee

Referral to:

Subject: Request approval to distribute remainder of 2008 HOPWA grant to existing Subrecipient (MAP).

Recommendation: 1.) Distribute grant funds remaining from the City's 2008 HOPWA grant RFP, to the Minnesota Aids Project (MAP) 2.) Authorize appropriate City staff to execute agreement as necessary with MAP, related to this 2008 HOPWA grant.

Previous Directives: July 25, 2008 2008R-296 Approve funding from the City's 2008 HOPWA grant RFP to Metro HRA for \$416,010 and to MAP for \$392,000. December 12, 2007 Resolution 2006R-642, that the proper City officers be authorized to execute contracts to carry out the intent of the 2008 Consolidated Plan program allocations including CDBG, HOME, ADDI, ESG, and HOPWA entitlement grants.

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Presenters in Committee: Peter J. O'Toole

Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC):
- Policy Review Group (PRG):

Financial Impact

- No financial impact
- Other financial impact: None

Community Impact

- Other: Provides housing opportunities for persons with HIV/AIDS in Minneapolis and the 13 County metropolitan statistical area eligible under this HUD grant program.

Supporting Information:

On May 8, 2008 the City of Minneapolis solicited applications for the annual HOPWA grant (\$846,810) through the City's RFP process. Two proposals were accepted, MAP and Metro HRA, for total request of \$808,010, leaving a remaining

unallocated balance of \$38,800. MAP has since requested the remaining amount (\$38,800), see attached 9/22/08 letter from MAP, stating they requested an incorrect amount of funding with their initial application. Staff from the City's Office of Grants and Special Projects had notified MAP of the available funds during the application process, but it was not until now that MAP identified the need for the remaining funds.

Previous requests for council action on this matter included language indicating that appropriated funds that exceed the amount necessary to continue current programs at comparable levels will be advertised by the City of Minneapolis through its RFP process, and that proposals that address the priorities identified and recommended by the Minnesota HIV Housing Coalition, consistent with the policies of the City of Minneapolis, to provide housing and service options for persons living with HIV/AIDS, will be considered for funding. The Grants Office believes that this request meets these priorities, that an additional advertisement is not warranted and that MAP's capacity requirements support this addition to their existing HOPWA grant award.