



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

Date: July 18, 2007

To: Council Member Lisa Goodman, Community Development Committee

Referral to: Council Member Paul Ostrow, Ways and Means/Budget Committee

Subject: Request approval of applications (2) for grant funding for the 2007 round of HUD Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA) program RFP (a City Consolidated Plan, HUD, funding program).

Recommendation: 1.) Approve funding for 2007 HOPWA grant applicants: Metropolitan Council HRA, and Minnesota Aids Project (MAP), and, 2.) Authorize appropriate City staff to execute agreements as necessary to implement subrecipient and subgrantee contracts.

Previous Directives: December 11, 2006 Resolution 206R-607, that the proper City officers be authorized to execute contracts to carry out the intent of the 2007 Consolidated Plan program allocations including CDBG, HOME, ADDI, ESG, and HOPWA entitlement grants.

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Approved by: Steven Bosacker, City Coordinator _____

Presenters in Committee: Peter J. O'Toole

Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ___ Date _____
- Policy Review Group (PRG): Approval ___ Date _____

Financial Impact

- No financial impact
- Other financial impact: None
- Request provided to the Finance Department when provided to 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 in Minneapolis and the 13 County metropolitan statistical area eligible under this HUD grant program.

Supporting Information:

The City of Minneapolis solicited applications for annual HOPWA funding in conjunction with CPED's annual Affordable Housing Trust fund RFP for 2007. Only two organizations applied for this grant funding – Metropolitan Council and Minnesota Aids Project (MAP) – both are eligible for this funding. The application ranking was waved this year because there were only two applications, and both were for renewals of previous HOPWA funding rounds. Renewals for ongoing (existing) programs receive funding priority, based on the Minnesota HIV Housing Coalition which acts as an advisory group to make recommendations for HOPWA funding, for the 13 county eligible metropolitan area, and as approved through the City's HUD-approved consolidated plan.