

Community Development Committee

Meeting date: September 21, 2015

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of October 14, 2015

Subject: Board Resolution 2015-20, Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, Rental Assistance for Anoka County (RAAC)

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Stats. Section 462A

Staff Prepared/Presented: Jennifer Keogh, HRA Assistant Manager (651-602-1584)

Division/Department: Community Development/HRA

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt a resolution, required by Minnesota Housing Finance Agency to authorize the Community Development Director to execute a continuation grant agreement for the Rental Assistance for Anoka County (RAAC) Program.

Background

The Council's Housing and Redevelopment Authority (Metro HRA), in partnership with Anoka County has administered the RAAC program since 2002. The RAAC program provides rental assistance to Anoka County families receiving Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) funds. Program participants must be compliant with their MFIP employment and self-sufficiency obligations. The program promotes the attainment of economic self-sufficiency through the provision of the rent subsidy. Eligible families receive a maximum monthly subsidy of \$400.

The current grant period will expire on September 30, 2015. The renewal funding award of \$555,000 will allow continued rent assistance support for the next biennium which runs from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2017. The grant amount will support the current program size of 54 families through the term of the grant.

Rationale

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency requires Council resolution at the time of funding renewal.

Funding

The funding awarded for the period October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2017 is \$555,000.

Known Support / Opposition

There is no known support or opposition to this resolution.

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION NO. 2015-20

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE CONTINUATION GRANT AGREEMENTS WITH MINNESOTA HOUSING FOR THE RENTAL ASSISTANCE FOR ANOKA COUNTY PROGRAM

WHEREAS: The Metropolitan Council Housing and Redevelopment Authority was awarded \$555,000.00 by Minnesota Housing Finance Agency for the continued administration of the Rental Assistance for Anoka County (RAAC) Program for the period October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2017.

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency requires a resolution as part of the funding award process designating named signatories and authority to enter into grant agreements, or other documents required for continued funding.

WHEREAS: The Metropolitan Council authorizes the Community Development Director the authority to execute grant award agreements and other documents required for the continuation of program funding for the Rental Assistance for Anoka County Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

That the Community Development Director of the Metropolitan Council is authorized on behalf of the Metro HRA to execute the required grant agreements and other documents required by Minnesota Housing Finance Agency for the continuation of program funding for the Rental Assistance for Anoka County Program.

Adopted this 21st day of September 2015.

Adam Duininck , Chair

Emily Getty, Recording Secretary