Metropolitan Council Housing and Redevelopment Authority

# 2017 Federal Funding Discussion

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## **Metro HRA Amendment Summary**

- Federal funding for Housing Choice Voucher program
  - Congress enacted budget on May 5, 2017 for calendar year
  - HUD notified Metro HRA of funding award on June 28, 2017
- 2017 Awarded budget slight increase over 2016 funding
- Budget award not enough to keep all current families housed
  - Result of rising rents





#### **Options for 2017**

#### presented as an information item to CDC on 8/21/17

- 1. Stay within budget authority
  - Serve 100 families less in 2017 than in 2016
  - Permanently reduces program size for future years
- 2. Serve maximum number of families 6,502
  - Spend up to \$800,000 of Administrative Reserves
  - Maximizes program size for future years
- 3. Somewhere in between



### **Option 2. Supported**

#### **Action Requested**

- Amend 2017 budget to allow the spending of up to \$800,000 in administrative reserves
  - This is a HUD-approved use of program reserves
  - Leaves reserve balance above Council target
  - Use to pay housing subsidy to keep all current families housed
  - Maximizes funding for 2018
- Questions?



## **Parks Amendment Summary**

- Discussion Deb Jensen
- Questions?



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