

Community Development Committee

Meeting date: May 7, 2018

Subject: Metro HRA Moving to Work Opportunity

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: 24 CFR Part 982

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Division/Department: Community Development / HRA

Proposed Action

None, information only.

Background

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) designated 39 housing authorities in the country with program flexibilities to provide them the opportunity to design and test innovative, locally-designed strategies to use federal funds more efficiently. The designation is called Moving to Work (MTW). MTW agencies are permitted to seek exemptions from program rules.

The Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (MPHA) is designated as an MTW agency. The Council's Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) has a potential to get MTW designation through MPHA. The purpose of this information item is to give a broad overview of the MTW program and the benefits of gaining this designation.