

## Community Development Committee

Meeting date: August 16, 2021

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of August 25, 2021

**Subject:** Housing Trust Fund Program – Grant Renewal Board Resolution No. 2021-27

**District(s), Member(s):** All

**Policy/Legal Reference:** Minn. Stat. § 462A

**Staff Prepared/Presented:** Stephanie Paulson, Assistant Director, Metropolitan Housing and Redevelopment Authority (651) 602-1584

**Division/Department:** Community Development/ Metro HRA

### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt Resolution No. 2021-27 (attached) as required by Minnesota Housing, to authorize the Director of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority to execute a grant agreement for the Housing Trust Fund (HTF) program renewal funding of \$609,000.

### Background

The Council's Housing and Redevelopment Authority (Metro HRA) has administered the Rental Assistance for Anoka County (RAAC, also called the Housing Trust Fund or HTF) program since 2002. The Housing Trust Fund purpose is to provide rent assistance to people experiencing homelessness in Anoka County.

The current grant will expire on September 30, 2021. The renewal funding award of \$609,000 will be administered from October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2023 and will allow Metro HRA to serve an estimated 35 households.

### Rationale

The renewal grant funds will allow the Metro HRA to provide continued rental assistance to current program participants previously experiencing homelessness.

### Thrive Lens Analysis

The program supports the Thrive outcomes of equity, livability, and prosperity by increasing the housing choices available to low-income families across the region. Families that have stable housing in a community of their choice are better able to thrive and flourish.

### Funding

The funding award of \$609,000 is for the period of October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2023.

### Known Support / Opposition

The funding award was approved by the Minnesota Housing board on July 22, 2021.

**METROPOLITAN COUNCIL**

**390 Robert Street North, St. Paul, MN 55101**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-27**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (METRO HRA) TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH MINNESOTA HOUSING FOR THE HOUSING TRUST FUND PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS:**

The Metropolitan Council Housing and Redevelopment Authority was awarded \$609,000 by Minnesota Housing for the administration of the Housing Trust Fund Program for the period of October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2023.

**WHEREAS:**

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

**WHEREAS:**

The Metropolitan Council authorized the Director of the Metropolitan Council Housing and Redevelopment Authority, to execute grant agreements and other documents required for the Housing Trust Fund Program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL**

That the Director of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of the Metropolitan Council is authorized to execute the required grant agreement and other documents required by Minnesota Housing for the funding awarded for the Housing Trust Fund program.

Adopted this 25 day of August 2021.

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Charles A. Zelle  
Chair, Metropolitan Council

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Recording Secretary