The Metropolitan Council’s Community Development Committee will conduct a public hearing to receive public comment on the submittal of an application for the Moving to Work (MTW) Program Expansion, Rent Reform.

The MTW program allows housing authorities to be more creative in addressing local housing needs. The program allows flexibility in how the Housing Choice Voucher program is operated. The goals of the MTW program are to:

- Expand housing choice for low-income families
- Create efficiencies in service delivery
- Assist families in making progress towards self-sufficiency

The Metropolitan Council Housing and Redevelopment Authority, Metro HRA, intends to submit an application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to test Rent Reform. The Moving to Work Plan and application details can be found at: Metro HRA Moving to Work Plan. Submitting an application does not guarantee the Metro HRA will be awarded MTW status. If awarded, the Metro HRA will conduct extensive engagement to develop a formal MTW Plan.

The public hearing will be held on Monday, November 16, 2020, 4:00 p.m. at the regularly scheduled Community Development Committee meeting. In response to COVID-19, the Metropolitan Council has determined it is not practical or prudent to conduct in-person committee meetings for reasons stated in the Governor’s Emergency Executive Order. The meeting will be streamed at the following link: Community Development Committee Meeting.

The Public Hearing will be conducted via Webex, at the regularly schedule Community Development Committee. Interested persons may register to speak in advance by contacting Terri Smith, 651-602-1187, TTY 651-291-0904 or via e-mail, terri.smith@metc.state.mn.us. Upon request, the Council will provide a reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities. In addition to speaking at the hearing, comments may be made to the attention of Terri Smith in the following ways:

- Send to Metro HRA, 390 Robert St North., St. Paul, MN  55101
- Fax to 651-602-1313
- Send electronically to: public.info@metc.state.mn.us
- Record comments on the Council’s Public Comment Line: 651-602-1500
- TTY:  651-291-0904
- Comments must be received by 4:30 p.m., December 14, 2020