



Community Development Committee

Business Item

Item: 2009-120

Meeting date: April 20, 2009

ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	April 2, 2009
Subject:	2009 Unified Operating Budget Amendment
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	MN Statute 473.13 – Council Budget Requirements
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Beth Reetz, Director of Housing & Livable Communities (651) 602-1060, Guy Peterson, Director of Community Development Division (651) 602-1418
Division/Department:	Community Development

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council amend the 2009 Unified Operating Budget by increasing authorized expenditures and revenues in the Family Affordable Housing Program as indicated below and that the Metropolitan Council authorize the salary and benefits of the Director of Housing and Livable Communities be divided equally between Community Development Division Management (Fund 100) and the Housing and Redevelopment Authority (Fund 234).

<u>Description</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Revised</u>
Revenue	\$ 923,000	\$ 1,135,000
Expenses	<u>\$1,094,571</u>	<u>\$ 1,306,571</u>
Projected Deficit	(\$171,571)	(\$171,571)

Background

On March 24, 2009 the Metropolitan Council approved the receipt and expenditure of \$212,000 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the Council’s federal public housing program, the Family Affordable Housing Program (FAHP). Additionally, the Council authorized the Chair to execute a HUD Board Resolution stating the same. This amendment to the 2009 Unified Operating Budget reflects the increased revenue and associated increased expenditures.

The division of the salary and benefits of the Director of Housing and Livable Communities would transfer \$66,500 of expenditure authority from Community Development to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority. The position of Housing and Livable Communities is responsible for the oversight of the Council’s Housing and Redevelopment Authority. The time associated with this responsibility is an eligible expense to be charged against the programmatic fees earned for the administration of the programs operated by the HRA. The division of the budget authority for the full time equivalent will enable the cost associated with HRA direction to be appropriately reflected in the Council unified budget.

Rationale

There are no policy issues relating to this request.

Funding

This is one-time funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) awarded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funds must be used towards improvements to the Family Affordable Housing Program units.

The division of the salary and benefit budget authority does not affect total Council funding.

Known Support / Opposition

There is no opposition to this request.

To be presented to the Management Committee on April 22, 2009

To be presented to the Council on May 13, 2009