

# C Community Development Committee

Meeting date: October 5, 2009

## ADVISORY INFORMATION

<b>Date:</b>	September 25, 2009
<b>Subject:</b>	Approval of 2010 Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan
<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	All
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	Code of Federal Reg. Title 24, Ch. VIII, Part 903
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<b>Division/Department:</b>	Community Development/HRA

### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council approve the attached Public Housing Agency Plan (PHA Plan) for 2010, authorize the Metropolitan Council Chair to execute the required certifications and direct staff to submit the final Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

### Background

The PHA Plan is a comprehensive guide to the Metropolitan Council Housing and Redevelopment Authority's programs, policies, operations and strategies for meeting local housing needs and goals. The PHA Plan was originally developed in 2000 and, on an annual basis, revisions of the PHA Plan are completed utilizing updated data and goals for the Section 8 Program.

A public hearing was held at the Community Development Committee meeting on Monday, September 21, 2009, in order to receive public comment on the 2010 PHA Plan for the Section 8 Rental Assistance Programs. No comments were received at the public hearing. Written comments submitted by the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis and Central Minnesota Legal Services during the public notice period were reviewed and considered. The PHA Plan was revised and the submitted written comments addressed in Part 11.0 (g) of the 2010 PHA Plan.

Staff recommends approval of the 2010 PHA Plan as revised. A full copy of the Plan can be found at

[www.metrocouncil.org/housing/HRA/plan.htm](http://www.metrocouncil.org/housing/HRA/plan.htm)

### Rationale

Federal regulations for the Section 8 Program require submittal of the PHA Plan.

### Funding

Not applicable

## **Known Support / Opposition**

The written comments received by the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis and Central Minnesota Legal Services focused primarily on issues in the Administrative Plan associated with the Violence Against Women's Act, Limited English Proficiency, and reasonable accommodation obligations under federal and state statute. Revisions necessary to ensure accordance with law or supported by federal regulation were made to the 2009 Administrative Plan. Further consideration will be given to suggestions regarding policy or procedure of the Metro HRA Section 8 Program and will be reflected in a subsequent revision of the Administrative Plan.