

HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA

REPORT TO THE COMMISSIONERS

DATE: DECEMBER 6, 2023

**REGARDING: RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL 2024 HRA BUDGET AND
CERTIFYING THE FINAL HRA PROPERTY TAX LEVY PAYABLE
IN 2024**

Requested Board Action

Certify the final 2024 HRA budget and the final HRA tax levy payable in 2024.

Background

On September 13, 2023, the 2023 HRA budget proposal was presented to the HRA Board of Commissioners. Follow up information was provided after the September 13, 2023, meeting that answered questions of the HRA Board and provided additional detail on the proposed budget for the HRA. Changes to the proposed budget are attached, including adjustments to carry forward prior-year budgeted program funds in the HRA General Fund and the HRA Loan Enterprise Fund and adjustments to reflect updated estimates for street maintenance assessments and parking revenue in the Parking Enterprise Fund.

On September 27, 2023, the HRA Board of Commissioners adopted a certified maximum 2024 HRA tax levy of \$6,294,694 by resolution RES 23-1473. The maximum 2024 HRA levy certified is 100% of the maximum allowed under State Law. The HRA levy is capped at 0.0185% of the estimated market value of Saint Paul property, projected to be \$34 billion in 2024. The maximum levy amount is an increase of \$637,544 from the 2023 HRA levy.

The HRA property tax levy provides revenue to the HRA to support HRA investments in affordable housing development and business and job growth. Activities financed by the HRA through the levy and other sources include maintenance of HRA-owned redevelopment property, HRA programs including the Housing Trust Fund, Rental Rehab Program, and business assistance programs, payroll and overhead for HRA staffing provided by the Department of

Planning and Economic Development, City Attorney services for the HRA, and the mandated State audit of the HRA.

To comply with the State of Minnesota's Truth in Taxation laws, the HRA must certify to Ramsey County the final HRA property tax levy payable in 2024, on or before five working days after December 20, 2023. The proposed final 2024 HRA tax levy to be certified to Ramsey County is \$6,294,694. The attached resolution would certify this final tax levy by that date.

Future Action

This action is subject to the approval of the Council of the City of Saint Paul. The Council of the City of Saint Paul will need to approve the HRA Board of Commissioner's recommended final 2024 HRA budget and final HRA property tax levy payable in 2024.

Recommendation:

Approval of the final 2024 HRA budget as proposed with the changes attached. Certification of the final HRA tax levy payable in 2024 to Ramsey County on or before five working days after December 20, 2023.

Sponsored by: Chair Chris Tolbert

Staff: Rhonda Gillquist 651-266-6631

Attachments

- 2024 HRA proposed budget
- 2024 HRA proposed budget changes (provided by the Office of Financial Services)