

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

REPORT TO THE COMMISSIONERS

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2026

REGARDING: RESOLUTION AMENDING THE HOUSING TRUST FUND PROJECT BUDGET TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR STAFFING IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, CITYWIDE

Requested Board Action

1. Amend the HRA Housing Trust Fund budget as shown in the attached financial analysis.
2. Authorize and direct the Executive Director and staff of the HRA to take all actions needed to implement this resolution.

Background

The Families First Pilot Program budget in the HRA Housing Trust Fund has a remaining balance of \$926,220. There is a need for additional staffing in the Department of Planning and Economic Development to administer the Emergency Rental Assistance Program and other programs. A HRA budget amendment is needed to transfer remaining funds from Families First Pilot Program to PED Operations for PED staffing. The Housing Trust Fund is in the HRA Development Capital Project Fund and a resolution is required for this fund when transferring budget amounts greater than \$100,000. The City's 2026 PED Operations special fund budget will also need to be amended to accept the transfer of funds and use them to hire additional staff.

Budget Action

See attached Financial Analysis.

Future Action

Budget to actual quarterly reports to the HRA Board for projects funded by this budget amendment.

Financing Structure

Funding source for the Families First Pilot Program is from HRA World Trade Center Parking Enterprise Funds.

PED Credit Committee Review

N/A

Compliance

N/A

Green/Sustainable Development

N/A

Environmental Impact Disclosure

N/A

Historic Preservation

N/A

Public Purpose/Comprehensive Plan Conformance:

The Department of Planning and Economic Development supports housing for Saint Paul residents which is in the Housing Chapter of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

Statement of Chairman (for Public Hearing)

N/A

Recommendation: Amend the HRA Housing Trust Fund budget as shown in the attached financial analysis and authorize and direct the Executive Director and staff of the HRA to take all actions needed to implement this resolution.

Sponsored by: Chair Cheniqua Johnson

Staff: Rhonda Gillquist, 651-266-6631

Attachments

- Financial analysis