

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

REPORT TO THE COMMISSIONERS

DATE: FEBRUARY 22, 2023

**REGARDING: AMENDING (i) THE EXECUTION OF A JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT
WITH RAMSEY COUNTY FOR HOUSING EFFORTS AT INTERFAITH
ACTION'S PROJECT HOME LOCATED AT 1880 RANDOLPH AVENUE,
AND (ii) AN HRA BUDGET AMENDMENT. DISTRICT 15. WARD 3.**

Requested Board Action:

Authorize the amendment of a Joint Powers Agreement and HRA budget action to provide up to \$827,244 to Ramsey County to continue operations of the Project Home family housing efforts, located at 1880 Randolph Avenue, effective July 1, 2022 and continue until March 31, 2024.

Background:

Interfaith Action of Greater Saint Paul is a Minnesota nonprofit corporation that supports families and individuals who are striving to achieve stability and economic mobility and provides critically needed homelessness housing services to families. Interfaith Action has been successfully operating Project Home at the Provincial House at 1880 Randolph Avenue, on the Saint Kate's Campus, throughout much of the COVID-19 pandemic. As federal emergency dollars have been spent down, Interfaith Action seeks additional temporary funding to continue operations while more permanent funding is identified through other sources. The board had previously approved funding for this project, and this action is simply an amendment to extend the funding deadline by an additional 12 months.

Budget Action:

Transfer of \$827,244 in Housing and Redevelopment Authority Housing Trust Fund dollars to Ramsey County through a Joint Powers Agreement to support continued operations of Project Home utilizing existing contracts between Ramsey County and Interfaith Action. These HRA Housing Trust Fund dollars had been set aside to support a 2022 Naturally Occurring Affordable

Housing program that is not likely to be designed/implemented until next year due to PED staff turnover.

Future Action: N/A

Financing Structure: N/A

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: N/A

Statement of Chairman (for Public Hearing)

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of this financial action.

Sponsored by: HRA Chair Tolbert

Staff: Travis Bistodeau 266-1922

Attachments

- **Joint Powers Agreement**