February 15, 2012

ITEM NO. C1

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO THE FY2012 MOVING TO WORK ANNUAL PLAN – PLAN FOR TRANSFORMATION YEAR 13

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners approve the Amendment to the FY2012 Moving To Work Annual Plan – Plan For Transformation Year 13 (FY2012 MTW Annual Plan).

EXPLANATION

On January 6, 2000, the Chicago Housing Authority (CHA) Board of Commissioners approved the Plan for Transformation, which called for sweeping changes in both the administration and operation of CHA. The Plan for Transformation was approved by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and incorporated into a Moving to Work (MTW) Demonstration Agreement, which was executed on February 6, 2000. The Agreement was subsequently amended in February 2001, requiring CHA to submit an annual plan to HUD, describing anticipated activities that will utilize MTW flexibility.

On June 26, 2008, CHA executed an Amended and Restated MTW Agreement (Restated Agreement) between itself and HUD, which supersedes the original MTW Agreement. The Restated Agreement extends CHA’s participation in the MTW Demonstration to the end of FY2018. CHA’s continued participation in the MTW Program is contingent upon adherence to the requirements set out in the Restated Agreement, which includes submission of an Annual Plan. The document represents CHA’s FY2012 MTW Annual Plan and details CHA’s anticipated activities for FY2012.

Chicago Housing Authority (CHA) submitted its FY2012 Moving to Work (MTW) Annual Plan to HUD on October 24, 2011. CHA determined the need to amend the FY2012 MTW Annual Plan to reflect additional anticipated activity in FY2012.

- An Amendment to the FY2012 MTW Annual Plan is necessary to obtain HUD approval for additional disposition activity and potential redevelopment funding applications for Choice Neighborhoods or other Federal Notices of Funding Availability (NOFAs) released in FY2012.

Prior to submission of the Amendment to the FY2012 MTW Annual Plan to the Board, a 30-day public comment period was conducted wherein both residents and the public alike were able to submit comments orally and in writing, regarding the information contained in the proposed Amendment to the FY2012 MTW Annual Plan. The public comment period ran from December 29, 2011 through January 30, 2012. During such time, on January 18, 2012, a public comment hearing was held. Prior to finalizing the Amendment to the FY2012 MTW Annual Plan, CHA gave consideration to comments received during the public comment period.

To this end, CHA has complied with the requirements of the Restated Agreement and HUD regulations regarding annual plans. CHA requests that the Board of Commissioners approve the Amendment to the FY2012 MTW Annual Plan.
RESOLUTION NO. 2012-CHA-15

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has reviewed the Board Letter dated February 15, 2012 requesting approval of the Amendment to the FY2012 MTW Annual Plan – Plan for Transformation Year 13, hereto attached.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY

THAT, the Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Amendment to the FY2012 MTW Annual Plan – Plan for Transformation Year 13.

THAT, the Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to approve any final changes to the Amendment to the FY2012 MTW Annual Plan. Such approval shall constitute conclusive evidence of the Board’s approval of any and all such changes.

THAT, the Board of Commissioners hereby grants authorization to submit the Amendment to the FY2012 MTW Annual Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

APPROVED
FEB 21, 2012
Board of Commissioners