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MEMORANDUM - NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES - PHAC MEMO NO. HD016-12

DATE: MAY 23, 2016

TO: PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSION

THRU: MARSHA REED, CITY MANAGER MR
NACHIE MARQUEZ, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER NM

FROM: LEAH POWELL, ACTING HOUSING & REDEVELOPMENT MANAGER LP

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. H0129 A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A CERTIFICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR ITS DESIRE TO RENEW THE DESIGNATION OF 127 NORTH KINGSTON STREET (KINGSTON ARMS APARTMENTS) FOR OCCUPANCY BY ELDERLY OR NEAR ELDERLY FAMILIES

RECOMMENDATION: Staff and the Housing and Human Services Commission recommend to the Public Housing Authority Commission the adoption of Resolution No. H0129 approving the submission of a certification to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)for its desire to renew the designation of 127 N. Kingston (Kingston Arms Apartments) for elderly or near elderly families.

BACKGROUND: The City's Housing and Redevelopment Division, as the Public Housing Authority (PHA), assists 303 families in Public Housing. Since the inception of the Housing Authority, the apartments located at 127 N. Kingston (Kingston Arms Apartments) have been designated as elderly and near elderly units. Elderly is defined by HUD as a person 62 years of age or older and near elderly is defined as a person 55 years of age or older. Staff is recommending the continuation of this designation.

DISCUSSION: The Public Housing Authority, the Resident Council, and the City of Chandler have recognized that the elderly residents of Public Housing may need additional supportive services when they reach the age of 62 years or older. To assist with this need, Kingston Arms Apartments were envisioned and constructed in the early 1970's as apartments designated for the purpose of serving "elderly and near elderly" low income residents.

The United States Department of HUD has published a Notice requiring Public Housing Authorities to reapply for the designation of housing for specific populations every two years. As a part of the renewal request, the Public Housing Authority Commission must submit a certification requesting the renewal and address four criteria regarding the location. The Housing Authority must identify the project by name and number; it must specify the number of units and percentage of the project to be designated, it must specify the total number of units in the affected project, and identify the population served in the designated units. This information is all outlined in the certifying resolution.

If HUD grants the request to continue the designation, the elderly designation would continue for two (2) additional years and would be subject to another renewal. The designation would continue to only apply to Kingston Arms Apartments, as it has for the past 40 years.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The United States Department of HUD funds the costs associated with the Public Housing Program. This request is to continue operations as they have been since the inception of Chandler's Public Housing program. No cost impacts are anticipated with this request.

PROPOSED MOTION: Move to recommend approval of Resolution No. H0129 a resolution of the Public Housing Authority Commission authorizing the submission of a certification to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for its desire to renew the designation of 127 North Kingston Street (Kingston Arms Apartments) for occupancy by elderly or near elderly families.

Attachment: Resolution No. H0129

RESOLUTION NO. H0129

A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CHANDLER, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A CERTIFICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR ITS DESIRE TO RENEW THE DESIGNATION OF 127 NORTH KINGSTON STREET (KINGSTON ARMS APARTMENTS) FOR OCCUPANCY BY ELDERLY OR NEAR ELDERLY FAMILIES

WHEREAS, the Public Housing Authority Commission of the City of Chandler recognizes that the elderly residents of Public Housing have been served by the designation of the apartments at Kingston Arms as "Elderly" since they were constructed in 1972; and,

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has published a Notice requiring Public Housing Authorities to renew the designation by certifying that the statutory requirements of the original designation plan are being met and there are no unanticipated adverse impacts on the housing resources for the groups not being served due to the designation. The current designation is set to expire in August of 2016; and,

WHEREAS, the Housing and Redevelopment Division addresses the following:

1. Requests that the project known as Kingston Arms Apartments, 127 N. Kingston Street, AZ28001, Chandler, Arizona, remain designated for occupancy by elderly and near elderly families.
2. Specifies that 100%, or all 37 apartments at this location have this elderly designation.
3. Specifies that Kingston Arms consists of 37 total apartments in this project, but represents 26% of AMP 2, known as Elderly/Family Scattered Sites.
4. Identifies the population served in this designated apartment complex as Elderly/Near Elderly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Housing Authority Commission of the City of Chandler that the Chairman/Mayor or his designee is authorized to sign and submit the necessary documents, agreements, contracts and certifications to HUD for the renewal of the designation renewal request and if granted, sign any contracts or documents necessary and authorize the City Manager or his designee to take all actions necessary to implement the designation plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Public Housing Authority Commission of the City of Chandler, Arizona, this ____ day of _____, 2016.

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK CHAIRMAN

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing Resolution No. H0129 was duly passed and adopted by the Public Housing Authority Commission of the City of Chandler, Arizona at a regular meeting held on the ____ day of _____, 2016, and that a quorum was present thereat.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CITY CLERK **CITY ATTORNEY** GAB