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MEMORANDUM Housing & Redevelopment - Council Memo No. HD07-08

DATE: JULY 12, 2007

TO: CITY COUNCIL

THRU : W. MARK PENTZ, CITY MANAGER *WMP*
 DOUG BALLARD, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR *DKB*

FROM: KURT KNUTSON, HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT MANAGER *KK*

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. 4098 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY'S STATE-SHARED REVENUE PROGRAM TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF TWO 12-14 PASSENGER BUS/VANS FOR THE HOUSING YOUTH PROGRAM.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff and the Housing and Human Services Commission recommend to the City Council the adoption of Resolution No. 4098 authorizing the submission of an application for \$114,000.00 to Gila River Indian Community's State-Shared Revenue Program for two 12-14 passenger bus/vans for the transportation of public housing youth to after school and intercession programs.

BACKGROUND:

Chandler's Public Housing Program offers after school programs for our youth (ages 6 – 18) that reside in our 163 low-income family apartments. The after school programs operates from 3:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Monday – Friday. The hours of operation are expanded and may vary during the summer and school intercession breaks. The Public Housing Youth Program offers homework help, arts & crafts programs and various recreation and special event programs. Through ticket donations from different organizations and businesses, the youth have had the opportunity to see college, professional and semi professional sports, theater, circuit speakers, camps and clinics. Currently, the Youth Program utilizes 15-passenger (cargo style) vans to transport the youth to various events. Transportation is typically between our four (4) family apartment locations around the downtown Chandler area. Weekly travel may include travel within the City of Chandler and adjoining communities for swimming excursions, basketball practice and tournaments, flag football leagues and recreation opportunities at other youth services locations (like the Boys and Girls Club). Occasionally, travel is required throughout the greater metropolitan area.

The 15-passenger vans were provided to the Public Housing Program through a 1998 U.S. States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Public Housing Drug Elimination Grant. This HUD grant was eliminated in 2000.

DISCUSSION:

Chandler's Public Housing Program is funded by grants from HUD. The source that provided the vans for our after school program is no longer in existence. Chandler's Public Housing staff needs to replace the eight-year-old 15-passenger (cargo style) vans with newer more modern bus/vans. To date, no funding source has been identified to replace the 15-passenger vans with new NHTSA approved bus/vans. Chandler's Public Housing Program would like to replace our 15-passenger vans with two new 12-14-passenger bus/vans that are designed to transport school-aged children and meet Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards requirements. If this grant were approved, one of the bus/vans purchased would be handicapped accessible.

TOTAL GRANT FUNDING REQUEST – Up to \$114,000

GRANT TERM – 1 year

If adopted, Resolution No. 4098 allows Housing and Redevelopment staff to submit an application to the Gila River Indian Community Revenue-Sharing (GRICRS) grant fund for this project. The GRICRS funding is a grant and does not have to be repaid to the Gila River Indian Community. The resolution allows the City to accept an award of funds from Gila River Indian Community if awarded and execute any documents and agreements necessary.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The Gila River Indian Community funds the costs associated with this program. No city (cash) funds will be required to fund the purchase of the bus/vans.

PROPOSED MOTION:

Move approval of Resolution No. 4098 authorizing an application to Gila River Indian Community Revenue-Sharing Program for a \$114,000.00 grant and authorizing the Mayor or his designee to sign all related certifications and supportive documents.

Attachments: Resolution No. 4098

RESOLUTION NO. 4098

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHANDLER, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY STATE-SHARED REVENUE PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR FUNDING TO PROVIDE TWO 12-14 PASSENGER VANS FOR THE HOUSING YOUTH PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Chandler recognizes that the City of Chandler Housing and Redevelopment Division (Housing Authority) may need additional funding to provide resources that facilitate a safe and secure means of transporting youth while their parents or guardians transitioning from assistance to self-sufficiency in their life; and

WHEREAS, the Gila River Indian Community, through the passage of Proposition 202, has advertised a notice of funding availability for the programs that promote public safety, transportation facilities, health care services, economic development and education; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Redevelopment Division has experienced a decrease in overall funding and the elimination of youth programs funding that facilitates public housing after school programs and related support programs that are principally paid for by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and;

WHEREAS, the receipt of Gila River Indian Community funds would enable the Public Housing Authority to replace two 15 passenger (cargo) vans which have been shown to undesirable and ill-suited for the transportation of youth;

WHEREAS, the Housing and Redevelopment Division (Public Housing Authority) wishes to submit an application to Gila River Indian Community State-Shared Revenue Program for \$114,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Chandler, that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to sign and submit the necessary documents, agreements, contracts and certifications to Gila Indian Community for funding and if awarded, sign any contracts or grant documents for receipt and use of Gila River Indian Community State-Shared Revenue Program funds and authorize the City Manager or his designee to take all actions necessary to implement and complete the activities as outlined in the application.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona this ____ day of _____, 2007.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing Resolution No. 4098 was duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona at a regular meeting held on the ____ day of _____, 2007, and that a quorum was present thereat.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY CLERK



CITY ATTORNEY