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MEMORANDUM
NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES- COUNCIL MEMO NR08-049

DATE: 30 DECEMBER 2008

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL

THRU: W. MARK PENTZ, CITY MANAGER
RICH DLUGAS, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER RD
JUDY REGISTER, NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES DIRECTOR JER

FROM: STEFANIE GARCIA, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATOR SG

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 4252 CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITMENT SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2009/2010 FEDERAL HOME FUNDS BY HOUSING OUR COMMUNITIES, INC.

HHSC AND STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Mayor and City Council are requested to approve Resolution Number 4252 certifying compliance with the Consolidated Plan and administrative commitment supporting an application for fiscal years 2009/2010 Federal Home Funds by Housing our Communities.

BACKGROUND: The City of Chandler, along with six other local municipalities and Maricopa County, formed the Maricopa HOME Consortium for purposes of administering the federal HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). Of the total funds allocated to each jurisdiction under the HOME Program, 15% must be reserved for specific types of nonprofit organizations known as Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO's). CHDO funds may be used to provide incentives to develop and support affordable rental housing and homeownership affordability through activities such as acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, and/or various subsidies. Participants in the Consortium have pooled their 15% set aside funding for eligible CHDO applicants.

DISCUSSION: Housing Our Communities (HOC), a non-profit Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), has applied to the Maricopa HOME Consortium for federal HOME program funding to acquire, rehabilitate and resell eight to eleven single family homes in Chandler to program eligible first-time homebuyers. To ensure affordable and sustainable

homeownership, HOC offers up to \$25,000 in gap financial assistance and provides families pre- and post-homebuyer education, housing counseling, financial management and planning skills. Currently, HOC administers our down payment assistance program through the utilization of federal American Down Payment Dream Initiative (ADDI) program funding. They have assisted four families to date. As of fiscal year 2008, ADDI funding will no longer be available.

As part of their application, HOC must submit a resolution of support from the governmental jurisdiction where the project is to be located. Adoption of this Resolution would meet that requirement and certify compliance with the City of Chandler's Consolidated Plan. The City of Chandler is willing to administer the contract in support of Housing our Communities application for federal HOME funds to the Maricopa County Consortium, if the CHDO is funded.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: All costs associated with the program will be paid by the federal government and do not require repayment on the part of the City of Chandler.

PROPOSED MOTION: Move to approve Resolution Number 4252 certifying compliance with the Consolidated Plan and administrative commitment supporting an application for fiscal years 2009/2010 Federal Home Funds by Housing our Communities in accordance with the recommendations of the Chandler Housing and Human Services Commission and staff.

Attachments: "A" – Resolution Number 4252

RESOLUTION NO. 4252

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITMENT BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHANDLER, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL HOME FUNDS BY HOUSING OUR COMMUNITIES, INC, AN ARIZONA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION, TO THE MARICOPA HOME CONSORTIUM.

WHEREAS, Housing our Communities, Inc. is a non-profit Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) which has a history of community service in Chandler, and has among its purposes the provision of affordable housing for low and moderate income households; and

WHEREAS, Housing our Communities, Inc. has applied to the Maricopa HOME Consortium for federal HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funding; and

WHEREAS, if funded the activity supported with HOME funds is located within our jurisdictional boundaries, the City of Chandler will be the administrator of the contract between Housing our Communities, Inc and the Maricopa HOME Consortium; and

WHEREAS, the activity that Housing our Communities, Inc. proposes meets the priorities identified in the City of Chandler Consolidated Plan as approved by Mayor and Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of City of Chandler, Arizona, supports Housing our Communities, Inc. in its application to the Maricopa HOME Consortium for federal funding and recognizes that the intended use of such funds are in conformance with the City's Consolidated Plan and commits to administering the contract and approving the assignment to the City of Beneficial Interests under the loan agreement, deed of trust, promissory note and restrictive covenants, between Maricopa County and Housing our Communities if the CHDO activity is funded.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHANDLER, ARIZONA THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2009.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above foregoing Resolution No. 4252 was duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 20____, and that a quorum was present thereat.

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY *GAB*