

Legislation Text

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Hearing to consider adoption of a Resolution pertaining to the following items:

1) Acknowledge the El Dorado County Public Housing Authority as a high performing agency exempt from the requirement to submit an annual Agency Plan update;

2) Approve a required annual amendment to the Public Housing Authority Administrative Plan for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program for submittal to the Department of Housing and Urban Development ;

3) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Public Housing Authority Civil Rights Certification; and4) Recognize the contribution of the Public Housing Authority Participant Advisory Board in assisting

with development of the Administrative Plan and amendments.

Resolution 084-2009

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: No change.

Background:

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires all Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) to develop and maintain two plans for the operation and administration of the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program. The PHA Agency Plan addresses all aspects of the overall operation of the HCV Program, and the PHA Administrative Plan establishes policies that conform to HUD regulations.

El Dorado County Public Housing Authority Agency Plan:

Historically, HUD has required all PHAs to submit an updated Annual Agency Plan to provide the residents of the jurisdiction over which the PHA presides, with knowledge of the PHA's long-term and short-term goals and objectives. The Plan identifies policies, rules and standards that govern program participation and management. Title VII of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008, passed by the United States Congress on July 28, 2008, establishes certain exemptions to the annual submittal requirement under sections 2701 and 2702 of the Small Public Housing Authorities Paperwork Reduction Act. A PHA determined to be exempt from the required Annual Agency Plan update and submittal must (1) have fewer than 550 vouchers or units, (2) not be designated as a troubled PHA and (3) not have a failing score under the Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP). T he El Dorado County Public Housing Authority (EDCPHA), which currently has 374 vouchers, has been designated a 2008 high performing PHA and is therefore exempt from the requirement to submit an updated Annual Agency Plan.

El Dorado County Public Housing Authority Administrative Plan Amendment:

The Board adopted a local Administrative Plan establishing policies for the Public Housing Authority on September 12, 1995. The Administrative Plan must be amended on an annual basis to keep the Plan consistent with changes initiated at the Federal level and reflect any local policy changes. Current changes to the Administrative Plan reflect minor HUD regulatory changes made during the

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past year and are summarized on attachment "D" titled "El Dorado County Public Housing Authority 2009 Administrative Plan Update - List of Revisions".

Reason for Recommendation:

Submittal of the amended Administrative Plan and the PHA Civil Rights Certification to HUD brings the EDCPHA up to date in all aspects of administering the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

Action to be taken following Board approval:

Board Clerk to provide Human Services - Spring Street, with four (4) Certified Resolutions and four (4) copies of the Civil Rights Certification signed by the Chairman for submittal to HUD with the amended PHA Admin Plan.

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Concurrences: N/A