



City of Muscatine



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

City Council

DATE:

September 17, 2020

STAFF

Jodi Royal-Goodwin, Community Development Director

SUBJECT

Resolution to Set Public Hearing Date for the Muscatine Municipal Housing Agency's 2021-2025 5-Year Plan and 2021 Annual Plan

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Every public housing authority is required to have a five year plan and annual plan approved by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to continue receiving funding for the Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher programs. Plans must be available for a 45-day comment period, including a public hearing, prior to submission.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Council, acting as the Board of Commissioners for the MMHA, set the public hearing for October 15, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. during their regular meeting.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Public housing authorities are required to complete five year and annual plans to continue receipt of funding for the Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) programs. Under Federal regulations qualified public housing authorities (PHAs), including the Muscatine Municipal Housing Agency, are required to have a resident advisory board (RAB) to review PHA plans, policies and budgets as well as conduct public comment periods and a public hearing to receive comment on proposed goals, policy changes and the use of public funds. During the comment period the public is invited to submit remarks to the PHA. The PHA must publish a notice of the hearing and relevant information and make such information available for inspection at its principal office.

MMHA must submit a new five year plan as well as the annual plan for FY2021. Typically these plans must be submitted prior to the beginning of the organizations fiscal year, however due to the COVID-19 public health crisis the submittal deadline was extended to October 31, 2020.

CITY FINANCIAL IMPACT

By complying with the requirement to conduct a public hearing there is no financial impact to the City because it enables the Muscatine Municipal Housing Agency to continue receiving federal funds to support the operation of the public housing projects and administration of the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1) Resoution to set public hearing
- 2) Publication

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION TO SET ANNUAL PUBLIC HEARING FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE MUSCATINE MUNICIPAL HOUSING AGENCY'S (MMHA'S) 2021 to 2025 5-YEAR PLAN and 2021 ANNUAL PLAN

WHEREAS, the Muscatine Municipal Housing Agency (MMHA) is required by federal regulation to conduct a public hearing to receive comment on the agency's plans and proposed expenditures; and

WHEREAS, MMHA must make all relevant information available for review and comment for a 45 day period, including a public hearing, prior to adoption; and

WHEREAS, MMHA must publish a notice of comment period and hearing September 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, MMHA has drafted the 2021 – 2025 5-Year Plan and 2021 Annual Plan and Capital Funds Statement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Muscatine City Council, acting as the Muscatine Public Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, hereby sets a public hearing for Thursday, October 15, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., and invites the public to comment regarding the MMHA plans and policies at the MMHA office or at the public hearing.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of September 2020.

DIANA L. BRODERSON, MAYOR
CITY OF MUSCATINE, IOWA

CAROL WEBB, CITY CLERK

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND
TIME AND PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO
DISCUSS THE**

MUSCATINE MUNICIPAL HOUSING AGENCY'S 2021 – 2025 5-YEAR PLAN AND 2021 ANNUAL PLAN

The public is invited to comment on the Muscatine Municipal Housing Agency's (MMHA) draft 2021 to 2025 5-Year Plan and 2021 Annual Plan. The Plans outline the goals, objectives and policies MMHA uses to administer the programs, including those encompassed in the Administrative Plan and ACOP. The documents will be available for review and comment on the City of Muscatine's website at <https://www.muscatineiowa.gov/74/Housing> beginning September 1 through October 15. A paper copy may be requested during that time by contacting MMHA at kescobar@muscatineiowa.gov or 563-262-4141 during normal business hours.

A Public Hearing will be held October 15, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. during the Muscatine City Council meeting. Public participation in the Hearing will be electronic. The GoToMeeting link and call in information will be published on the official agenda at the City's website not later than October 13. If you are a person requiring a special accommodation for a disability or language barrier, please contact MMHA, at 563-262-4141 at least three (3) business days in advance of the meeting date.

Comments may be submitted in person or by mail to MMHA, 215 Sycamore St, Muscatine, IA 52761 or electronically to kescobar@muscatineiowa.gov during the public comment period, September 1 to October 15 at 7:00 p.m.

