



Housing and Redevelopment Authority Resolution

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H2026-004

Sponsor: Community & Economic Development

Meeting Date: 1/13/2026

Title: Acceptance of Pathways to Removing Obstacles to Housing
Funding from the Metropolitan Council

File Number: 2025-295

Background and Rationale:

Pathways to Removing Obstacles to Housing (PRO Housing) is a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to help reduce barriers to housing production across the country. In late 2023, the Metropolitan Council as lead grantee applied for PRO Housing in partnership with Hennepin and Ramsey Counties as direct grant subrecipients. Ramsey County's portion of the grant application focused on funding for the new construction of deeply affordable housing units as the availability of funding is a major barrier to housing production. Other partner agencies applied with a focus on land use policies. In 2024 the partnership learned that the application was awarded a partial award of \$4,000,000 with Ramsey County set to receive \$1,300,000 of the total awarded grant. Upon approval, Ramsey County will enter a subrecipient agreement with the Metropolitan Council for these funds. Funds will be obligated through existing 2025 or 2026 development solicitations at a later date. Any obligation of funds will be brought to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority for approval.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority resolved to:

1. Accept Pathways to Removing Obstacles to Housing funding from the Metropolitan Council in the amount of \$1,300,000.
2. Authorize the County Manager to establish a project for Pathways to Removing Obstacles to Housing funded projects within Community & Economic Development.
3. Authorize the County Manager to enter into the necessary grant or other agreements and execute amendments to grant or other agreements, in a form approved by the County Attorney's Office.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Ortega, seconded by Commissioner Miller.
Motion passed.

Aye - 7: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, McMurtrey, Miller, Moran, Ortega, and Xiong

By: 
Jason Yang, Chief Clerk - County Board