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Item 7A
NEW BUSINESS
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To: Honorable Chairperson and
Members of the Housing Authority Commission
From: Rachel Gonzales-Levine, Acting Executive Director
Subject: Project-based Section 8 RFP

BACKGROUND

During the July 14 Board meeting, I presented the figure around how many Project-based Vouchers were remaining to be able to issue in a Fall 2022 RFP. This report will provide you with staff recommendation on the number of PBVs to allocate in the next round, so that the Board can provide direction to staff to move forward with an RFP.

Status

Currently there are 116 PBVs available to project base before we hit the 30% limit of the Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) as allowed by HOTMA. (Note: in the spring we will have the opportunity to increase the available PBV allocations by up to an additional 395 PBVs, which is the 50% ACC limit allowable for MTW agencies).

At this time staff suggests opening an RFP for 85 of those 116 PBVs currently available.

Potential Applications

Staff has recently heard interest in PBVs from:

- local church leaders (St. Paul's and Ephesians)
- RCD (Peoples' Park Supportive Housing) and
- BRIDGE Housing (1740 San Pablo).

We believe that 85 PBVs is merited at this time given that we have only heard from the 4 projects listed above. For any requests for the North Berkeley BART Transit oriented development site, we will have the opportunity to increase our available PBV allocation through the MTW Annual Plan Supplement in the Spring, which should coincide with the BART development process. In other words, staff does not expect any requests for PBVs in the Fall RFP release.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

No direct impact at this time.

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