For Housing Authority Meeting of: February 26, 2024

CITY OF SANTA ROSA HOUSING AUTHORITY

TO: HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSIONERS

FROM: REBECCA LANE, MANAGER

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

SUBJECT: HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM ADMINISTRATIVE

**PLAN OVERVIEW** 

AGENDA ACTION: STUDY SESSION

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Housing and Community Services Department that the Housing Authority hold a study session to receive information regarding the Housing Choice Voucher Program Administrative Plan. This item is for information only and no action will be taken during the study session

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this study session is to review a draft of the proposed changes to the Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan which are required under the Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act of 2016 (HOTMA). The HOTMA implementing regulations were published on September 29, 2023, and updated on February 2, 2024. Staff will receive feedback from the Housing Authority Commissioners regarding the final draft which will be reviewed at a Public Hearing on March 25, 2024.

#### BACKGROUND

The Housing and Community Services Department administers the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program on behalf of the City of Santa Rosa Housing Authority. The Administrative Plan is the major policy document guiding the ongoing administration of the federally regulated HCV program. Where allowed under law, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) permits local jurisdictions to establish policies pertaining to the program.

Administrative Plan changes must be reviewed at a public meeting. For significant changes such as those included in the current draft, the changes constitute a significant amendment to the Public Housing Agency Annual Plan and must be included in the Annual Plan process. The draft Administrative Plan is currently open for Public

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Comment and will remain open until the Public Hearing on March 25, 2024, at the next meeting of the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.

## PRIOR HOUSING AUTHORITY REVIEW

Not applicable.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact from holding a study session.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378.

### COUNCIL/BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable.

#### NOTIFICATION

Not applicable.

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