



Dakota County

Legislation Text

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DEPARTMENT: Office of the County Manager

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Appointment Of At-Large Commissioner To Dakota County Community Development Agency Board

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Appoint citizen to At-Large position on the Dakota County Community Development Agency Board.

SUMMARY

To fulfill a federal requirement, an At-Large Board position was included on the Dakota County Community Development Agency (CDA) Board of Commissioners. The CDA, as an administrator of the federal Housing Choice Voucher and Public Housing programs, is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to have one Board member who is a public housing resident or participant in the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

In 2016, the Minnesota Legislature approved amendments to the CDA's enabling legislation (Minn. Stat. § 383D.41, subd. 5), to add an eighth At-Large member to the CDA Board to be filled by an eligible resident board member as defined by federal regulations and to vote solely on items related to the Housing Choice Voucher and Public Housing programs.

Eligible households that are public housing residents or are participants in the Housing Choice Voucher program were notified by mail that applications were being accepted for this At-Large Commissioner position. The mailing was sent in December 2022 to almost 2,900 households with applications due by January 20, 2023. The application was available on Dakota County's website and interested applicants could also call to request an application by mail.

Fourteen applications were received. Applications were reviewed by CDA Board officers.

RECOMMENDATION

Based on review of applicants, Dakota County CDA Officers reached consensus on a recommendation to the County Board for the appointment to the At-Large CDA Board position.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

- None Current budget Other
 Amendment Requested New FTE(s) requested

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a special law codified as Minn. Stat. § 383D.41, defines the membership of the Dakota

County Community Development Agency (CDA) Board of Commissioners and membership consists of seven commissioners representing each of the seven Dakota County Board of Commissioner's districts; and

WHEREAS, Title 24, Part 964, Subpart E of the Code of Federal Regulations directs that the governing body of a public housing agency with the characteristics of the Dakota County CDA, must contain at least one public housing eligible resident board member; and

WHEREAS, during the 2016 Legislative Session, the Minnesota Legislature enacted an amendment to Minn. Stat. § 383D.41, subd. 5, authorizing the CDA Board to add an eighth At-Large Commissioner to the CDA Board to be filled by an eligible resident board member as defined by federal regulations; and

WHEREAS, eligible households and participants in the Housing Choice Voucher program were notified by mail that applications were being accepted through January 20, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the applications received were reviewed by the CDA Board Officers; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County CDA Board Officers have a recommendation for the At-Large Commissioner appointment to the CDA Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints Muralidharan Velikolangara to the At-Large Commissioner position for a term of three years as provided in the Community Development Agency Bylaws.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

20-341; 7/14/20
17-061; 1/24/17
16-368; 7/12/16

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Application(s) Distributed to Board only

BOARD GOALS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A Great Place to Live | <input type="checkbox"/> A Healthy Environment |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Successful Place for Business and Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Public Service |

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT LEVEL

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Inform and Listen | <input type="checkbox"/> Discuss | <input type="checkbox"/> Involve | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A |
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