

# *City of Fort Worth, Texas*

## Mayor and Council Communication

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**COUNCIL ACTION:** Approved on 8/18/2015 – Ordinance No. 21834–08–2015

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**DATE:** Tuesday, August 18, 2015

**REFERENCE NO.:** \*\*C–27417

**LOG NAME:** 02FHAP2015

**SUBJECT:**

Authorize Execution of a Fair Housing Assistance Program Cooperative Agreement Through the Fort Worth Human Relations Commission with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for Fiscal Year 2016, Authorize Acceptance of Funds in the Amount Up to \$690,000.00 and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the execution of a Fair Housing Assistance Program Cooperative Agreement through the Fort Worth Human Relations Commission with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for Fiscal Year 2016 and accept funds in the amount up to \$690,000.00; and
  2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Fund in the amount up to \$690,000.00.
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**DISCUSSION:**

On June 23, 2015, the Fort Worth Human Relations Commission voted to recommend the approval of the Fair Housing Assistance Program (FHAP) Cooperative Agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Pursuant to a Cooperative Agreement, HUD will provide funding to the Fort Worth Human Relations Commission, a designated FHAP, based on the number of fair housing complaints resolved from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015. The Human Relations Unit staff, on behalf of the Fort Worth Human Relations Commission, resolved 226 complaints during this time period. Additional funds are awarded to qualifying FHAP agencies for administrative costs and training.

The Cooperative Agreement provides payment for the following:

- a. Resolution of housing discrimination complaints in an amount up to \$552,889.50;
  - b. Administrative costs in the amount of \$112,360.50 (18 percent of the Fiscal Year 2015 Agreement which was \$624,225.00); and
  - c. Training funds in the amount of \$24,750.00 for mandatory HUD training.
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**FISCAL INFORMATION:**

The Financial Management Services Director certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations, adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance and receipt of the grant funds, funds will be available in the current operating budget, as appropriated, of the Grants Fund.

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**FUND CENTERS:**

**TO Fund/Account/Centers**

**FROM Fund/Account/Centers**

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\$690,000.00

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\$690,000.00

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**CERTIFICATIONS:**

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**ATTACHMENTS**

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