

AGENDA DATE:

CDBG Advisory Board – April 8, 2024 Common Council – April 15, 2024

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SUBJECT: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason to adopt the Section 3 Implementation Plan.

BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS:

The Section 3 regulation acknowledges that HUD funding typically results in projects/activities that generate new contracting, employment, and other economic opportunities that not only impact bricks and mortar but also create a multiplier effect for local housing providers and businesses that provide goods and services.

Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 [12 U.S.C. 1701u and 24 CFR Part 135] represents HUD's policy for providing preference for new employment, training, and contracting opportunities created from the usage of covered HUD funds to low- and very-low-income residents of the community where certain funds are spent (regardless of race or gender), and the businesses that substantially employ these people.

The Section 3 Implementation Plan is a tool designed to help public housing and housing and community development grantees and their subrecipients, contractors, and subcontractors comply with the Section 3 requirements and achieve the Section 3 goals.

The City of Racine Section 3 Implementation Plan is attached to this item in Legistar for review.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

There is no budgetary impact in the adaption of the Section 3 Implementation Plan.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommends that the CDBG Advisory Board adopt the Section 3 Implementation Plan and accept any future revisions mandated by HUD.