

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FINANCIALLY  
REPOSITIONING OF  
ASSETS OF IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION

WHEREAS the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION administers a public housing portfolio pursuant to Section 9 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 and accompanying regulations;

WHEREAS the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION is finding its public housing portfolio unsustainable as public housing due to funding not keeping pace with the cost of needed capital repairs;

WHEREAS the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION has sought to participate in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development public housing "repositioning" initiative;

WHEREAS the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION has a historical defined benefit pension program for its eligible employees through Municipal Employee's Retirement System of Michigan that is substantially underfunded for the liabilities involved (hereinafter "Legacy Costs");

WHEREAS the COUNTY OR IRON has significant financial concerns that if the Legacy Costs are not completely retired, that the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION will be without sufficient financial means in the future to pay such obligations; and

WHEREAS if a sufficient financial reserve is established to completely retire the Legacy Costs of the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION, the COUNTY OF IRON would support the repositioning initiative that the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION seeks to undertake.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF IRON as representatives of the citizens of Iron County supports the proposed plans of the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION for public housing reposition, including one or more applications to the U.S. Department of

Housing and Urban Development relating to the conversion of assistance through the Rental Assistance Demonstration for the Pleasant Valley Apartments and to disposition of the remainder of the portfolio pursuant to Section 18 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, including the disposition of 56 scattered site units provided the following actions occur:

1. From the proceeds of public housing "repositioning" the sum of \$550,000.00 shall be transmitted to the Office of the Iron County Treasurer to be held for the payment of the existing underfunded Municipal Employee's Retirement System of Michigan deferred benefit pension plan obligations for the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION;
2. The Office of the Iron County Treasurer shall expend such funds deposited by the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION, solely to retire unfunded Municipal Employee's Retirement System of Michigan obligations of the existing deferred benefit pension plan of the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION;
3. That any funds remaining with the Office of Iron County Treasurer, including interest thereon, once all potential liabilities of the existing IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION deferred benefit plan with Municipal Employee's Retirement System of Michigan have been retired are to be disbursed to the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION; and
4. That the IRON COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION close its existing defined benefit plan with the Municipal Employee's Retirement System of Michigan not later than December 31, 2021, and thereafter not continue, create, operate and/or establish any subsequent defined benefit plan for its employees.

The foregoing resolution was moved by Commissioner Conery and supported by Commissioner Stauber.

Yeas: Stauber, Stafford, Peretto, Conery, Ofsdahl

Nays: None

Absent:

None

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted at a meeting of the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF IRON held on August 10, 2021.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE COUNTY OF IRON

By: Julie Kezerle  
Julie Kezerle  
Its Clerk