

September 17, 1999

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met on the above date at 9:00 a.m. with Howard Groenendyk and Greg Gordy present. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Groenendyk with a moment of silence.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Groenendyk to approve the agenda with the addition of the policies for the grant for the SIEDA grant. All ayes. Motion carried.

Neil J. Hyde from Microtech-tel Inc. spoke to the board about telephone lines for the courthouse. He left a proposal for the board to study.

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Groenendyk to approve the Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan under Section 104(d) of the Housing & Community Development Act of 1974, as Amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESIDENTIAL ANTI-DISPLACEMENT AND RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PLAN under SECTION 104(d) of the HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT of 1974, as Amended.

MAHASKA COUNTY will replace all occupied and vacant occupiable low/moderate income dwelling units demolished or converted to a use other than as low/moderate income housing in connection with an activity assisted with funds provided under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, as described in 24CFR 570.49a©(1).

All replacement housing will be provided within three years after the commencement of the demolition or conversion. Before entering into a contract committing the County to provide funds for an activity that will directly result in demolition or conversion, the County will make public by publication in a newspaper of general circulation and submit to IDED the following information in writing:

1. A description of the proposed assisted activity;
2. The address, number of bedrooms, and location on a map of low/moderate-income housing that will be demolished or converted to a use other than as low/moderate income dwelling units as a result of the assisted project;
3. A time schedule for the commencement and completion of the demolition or conversion;
4. To the extent known, the address, number of bedrooms and location on a map of the replacement housing that has been or will be provided.
5. The source of funding and a time schedule for the provision of the replacement housing.
6. The basis for concluding that the replacement housing unit will remain a low/moderate income dwelling unit for a least 10 years from the date of initial occupancy;

7. Information demonstrating that any proposed replacement of dwelling units with smaller dwelling units (e.g., a 2-bedroom unit with two 1-bedroom units), or any proposed replacement of efficiency or single-room occupancy (SRO) units with units of a different size, is appropriate and consistent with the housing needs and priorities identified in the state's Consolidate Plan for Housing and Community Development.

To the extent that the specific location of the replacement housing and other data in items 4 through 7 are not available at the time of the general submission. MAHASKA County will identify the general location of such housing on a map and complete the disclosure and submission requirements as soon as the specific data are available.

The MAHASKA County Emergency Management Director is responsible for tracing the replacement of housing and ensuring that it is provided within the required period. The Emergency Management Director is also responsible for ensuring requirements are met for notification and provision of relocation assistance, as described in CFR 570.496(a)(c)(2), to any lower-income person displaced by the demolition of any dwelling unit or the conversion of a low/moderate-income dwelling unit to another use in connection with an assisted activity.

Consistent with the goals and objectives of activities assisted under the Act, MAHASKA COUNTY will take the following steps to minimize the direct and indirect displacement of persons from their homes:

1. Adopt policies to identify and mitigate displacement resulting from intensive investments in neighborhoods.
2. Adopt tax assessment polices, such as deferred tax payment plans, to reduce impact of increasing property tax assessments on lower income owner-occupants or tenants in revitalizing areas.

Adopted by the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors this 17th day of September, 1999.

s/Howard Groenendyk
Chairman

ATTEST:s/Kay Swanson
County Auditor

It was moved by Gordy seconded by Groenendyk to approve the following Policy. All ayes. Motion carried.

POLICY ON THE PROHIBITION OF EXCESSIVE FORCE

WHEREAS, MAHASKA COUNTY, IOWA has received federal funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program; and

WHEREAS, Section 519 of the Department of Veterans Affairs and U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriation Act of 1990 requires that all CDBG recipients adopt and enforce a policy to prohibit the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within the recipient's jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

WHEREAS, all recipients of CDBG funds are further required to follow a policy of enforcing applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrances or exits to a facility that is the subject of a nonviolent protest demonstration; and

WHEREAS, MAHASKA COUNTY enforces a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force and will inform all law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction of this policy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, MAHASKA COUNTY, Iowa hereby prohibits any law enforcement agency operating within its jurisdiction from using excessive force against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations. In addition, Mahaska County, Iowa agrees to enforce any applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrances or exits to a facility that is the subject of a nonviolent protest demonstration. MAHASKA COUNTY further pledges enforcement of this policy within its jurisdiction and encourages any individual or group who feels that MAHASKA COUNTY has not complied with this policy to file a complaint.

Information and assistance relative to excessive force complaints shall be provided by:
CONTACT PERSON: Charles Stream, County Attorney
LOCATION: 106 South 1st Street, Oskaloosa, Iowa 52577
Phone number 515 673-9819

Adopted this 17th day of September, 1999.

s/Howard Groenendyk
Chairman, MAHASKA County Board of Supervisors

The canvass of the September 14, 1999 school election was held. Results of the election can be found in the General Election Record Book in the Auditor's Office.

ATTEST: _____
County Auditor

Chairman Board of Supervisors