

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF AN ALTERNATE TO CENTRAL IOWA REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY (CIRHA) BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BACKGROUND:

Back in March 2011, the City Council approved a 28-E intergovernmental agreement with Central Iowa Regional Housing Authority (CIRHA) to operate and administer the City's Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program within the Ames jurisdiction. As part of the 28-E agreement, the City Council authorized the Mayor to appoint a primary member and an alternate to represent the City on CIRHA's Board of Commissioners.

At the October 22, 2013, City Council meeting, the City Council approved the appointment of the Housing Coordinator as the primary member to represent the City on CIRHA's Board of Commissioners. Because the appointed member represents both Ames and Story County, staff contacted the Story County Board of Supervisors for its interest in appointing an alternate. The Story County Board of Supervisors agreed and appointed Deb Schildroth, Director of Story County Community Services Department as the alternate for the City's consideration. At the April 14, 2014, City Council meeting, the City Council approved the appointment of Deb Schildroth as the alternate to represent the City on the CIRHA's Board of Commissioners.

Staff was recently notified that the Story County Board of Supervisors has approved the appointment of Lauris Olson, as the new alternate for the City's consideration. City Council must approve the proposed change for it to become effective.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. The City Council can approve a resolution appointing Lauris Olson as the alternate Board Member Representative to the CIRHA Board of Commissioners for Ames/Story County and authorize the Mayor to complete the required forms with CIRHA.
2. The City Council does not approve appointing Lauris Olson as the alternate Board Member Representative to the CIRHA Board of Commissioners for Ames/Story County.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This action will continue to provide for two individuals to represent Ames/Story County on the CIRHA Board. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative #1, thereby appointing Lauris Olson, as the alternate Board Member representative to the CIRHA Board of Commissioners for Ames/Story County.