

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Certifications of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that the Mayor be authorized to sign the following Certifications of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan for the Saginaw Housing Commission, Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority, the Underground Railroad, Inc., the Saginaw Housing Commission, Restoration Community Outreach, Saginaw County Youth Protection Council, Homes From Heaven, Michigan Department of Community Health and Emmaus House. I further request that the Mayor be given blanket authorization to sign future certificates for local agencies to receive grants from HUD until June 30, 2012.

Justification:

There are several homeless programs throughout the City of Saginaw. Local community organizations sponsor the programs. However, in order for the groups to obtain federal grants, the Saginaw Housing Commission or other agencies must obtain a signed Certification of Consistency from the Mayor.

These agencies operate several homeless programs including Underground Railroad, Inc., Restoration Community Outreach and Emmaus House. As a necessary step in obtaining grants from HUD, each municipality must formally approve the Certification of Consistency Programs. In the future, the Mayor may need to sign additional certificates related to these programs to fulfill HUD's requirements.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.