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CDD Group

Subject:

The Community Development Division Organizational Structure

Attachments:

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Attached is the message that I have sent to Common Council members, agencies funded through the Community Development Division and members of Community Development committees.

As my letter indicates, I am open to ideas about how to improve the work and service of the Division. Please feel free to send your ideas as part of the public comment process. Or if you have questions or comments, please feel to contact Astra lheukumere (who returns from vacation on January 25th), Anne Monks or any of my assistants.

Paul R. Soglin Mayor City of Madison 'YWCA - Julie Larson'; Nancy Wren Bauch

Cc:

Cover, Steven; Clingan, William; Erdman, Natalie; Murphy, Brad; Olver, Aaron;

Hank, George; Monks, Anne; Crawley, Katie; Miley, Sally; Iheukumere, Astra; Zavos,

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Existing CD Org Chart 1-18-12.pdf

Dear Common Council Members, Agencies funded through the Community Development Division and Members of Community Development Committees:

On my "to-do" list for this year is a review of the organizational structure of the services in the Community Development Division. With the announced retirement from City government of the Division Director, Bill Clingan, we need to examine this issue as soon as possible.

I am looking for your thoughts and recommendations about possible changes in structure that can improve services to City residents. Please reply to this message by February 2nd.

This review will not affect this year's funding process.

The Existing Division Structure Adopted in 2008

City of Madison Ordinance Section 3.12 (7) defines the structure and mission of the Community Development Division. The Division includes:

the Community Development Block Grant office, the Senior Center, and the Office of Community Services. Under the direction of the Community Development Division Director, this division is responsible for: (a) planning, developing and implementing a variety of programs, services and activities of interest to older people, through the Senior Center, (b) planning, developing, implementing and evaluating community services and human services including services purchased by the City from non-profit agencies, through the Office of Community Services, and (c) promoting healthy neighborhoods and a viable urban community through support of effective community oriented programs including services purchased by the City from private non-profit agencies through the Community Development Block Grant Office.

In addition, to the services listed above, the ordinance also places child care in the Office of Community Services. The Division now includes a new HUD funded Energy Services program reporting to the Director.

Here is a link to City of Madison ordinances where you can find Section 3.12 creating the Department of Planning and Community and Economic Development and the duties of other Divisions in the Department:

http://library.municode.com/index.aspx?clientID=50000&stateID=49&statename=Wisconsin

A current Division organization chart is attached.

Possibilities to Consider

Here are some of the possibilities to consider for the Division's organizational structure:

- Make no changes.
- Make changes in the role of the Division Director or other changes within the existing Division structure.

- Child care, community services, the senior center and senior services could be in a separate division from CDBG and HUD funded programs.
- CDBG, the Energy Services program and HUD funded programs could be moved into the Economic Development Division.
- Community Services and/or CDBG could report directly to the Mayor as they once did.
- Housing programming or community services could be combined with the CDA.
- Community Services and Child Care could be placed in the City/County Health Department.

Feel free to either make specific recommendations or simply raise issues that you think are critical in thinking these matters through.

Sincerely,

Paul R. Soglin Mayor City of Madison

