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Enclosed is a copy of the Metropolitan Council report, *Participation in the Livable Communities Act Local Housing Incentives Account*. This report satisfies Minn. Statute §473.254, Section 5, Subsection 9, Laws of 1995, which directs the Council to report annually on local government participation in the Local Housing Incentives Account of the Livable Communities Act.

Any questions about the report can be directed to Tom McElveen, Deputy Director, Housing, Development and Implementation, at 291-6306.

Sincerely,

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The Metropolitan Council coordinates regional planning and guides development in the sevencounty area through joint action with the public and private sectors. The Council also operates regional services, including wastewater collection and treatment, transit and the Metro HRA – an affordable-housing service that provides assistance to low-income families in the region. Created by the legislature in 1967, the Council establishes policies for airports, regional parks, highways and transit, sewers, air and water quality, land use and affordable housing, and provides planning and technical assistance to communities in the Twin Cities region.

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INTRODUCTION

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The Metropolitan Livable Communities Act (LCA), requires the Metropolitan Council to report which municipalities elected to participate and which did not elect to participate in the local housing incentive account program by February 1, of each year. (Minnesota Statutes 473.254, section 5, subsection 9)

PARTICIPATION IN 1997

The LCA supports regional *Blueprint* policies which call for the expansion of the opportunities for affordable and life-cycle housing throughout the region, creative planning that links jobs, transportation and housing, and revitalization of the region's older cities. Communities within the seven county area that participate in the local housing incentives account program may receive grants or loans from the three funds in the LCA. These funds are the tax base revitalization account, livable communities demonstration account and the local housing incentives account. Only participants may apply for and receive grants from the polluted sites clean-up program administered by the Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development. In addition, the Council "shall give consideration to a municipality's participation," when making discretionary funding decisions such as federal ISTEA funding.

During 1996, 97 communities passed resolutions to participate in the LCA's local housing incentives account in 1997. Of these 97 communities, six were cities electing to participate in the LCA for the first time. These six cities are Champlin, Circle Pines, Excelsior, Mound, Rogers and St. Bonifacius. Also in 1996, however, five communities chose not to renew their participation in the housing incentives account by not preparing a resolution of participation. These five communities are Deephaven, Forest Lake, Ham Lake, Victoria and Young America Township. In addition, as of the first of the year, two LCA participating cities -- Norwood and Young America merged to become one city. This leaves participation in the housing incentives account at the same number of communities in 1997 as participated in 1996, 97.

MUNICIPALITIES ELECTING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LOCAL HOUSING INCENTIVES ACCOUNT PROGRAM IN 1997

Afton Apple Valley Arden Hills Bayport **Belle Plaine** Blaine Bloomington **Brooklyn Center Brooklyn Park** Burnsville Carver Centerville Champlin Chanhassen Chaska **Circle Pines** Cologne **Columbia Heights Coon Rapids** Corcoran **Cottage Grove** Crystal Eagan **Eden Prairie** Edina Excelsior **Falcon Heights** Farmington Fridley Golden Valley Hamburg Hastings Hilltop Hopkins

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Inver Grove Heights Jordan Lake Elmo Lakeville Lauderdale Lino Lakes Little Canada Long Lake Maple Grove Maplewood Mayer Medina Mendota Heights Minneapolis Minnetonka Minnetrista Mound Mounds View New Brighton New Germany New Hope Newport North St.Paul North Oaks Norwood/Young America Oakdale Oak Grove **Oak Park Heights** Orono Osseo Plymouth Prior Lake Ramsey Richfield

Robbinsdale Rockford Rogers Rosemount Roseville St.Anthony St. Bonifacius St.Francis St. Louis Park St. Paul St. Paul Park Savage Shakopee Shoreview Shorewood South St.Paul Spring Lake Park Spring Park Stillwater Sunfish Lake Vadnais Heights Waconia Watertown Wayzata West St.Paul White Bear Lake White Bear Township Willernie Woodbury

MUNICIPALITIES NOT PARTICIPATING IN THE LOCAL HOUSING INCENTIVES ACCOUNT PROGRAM

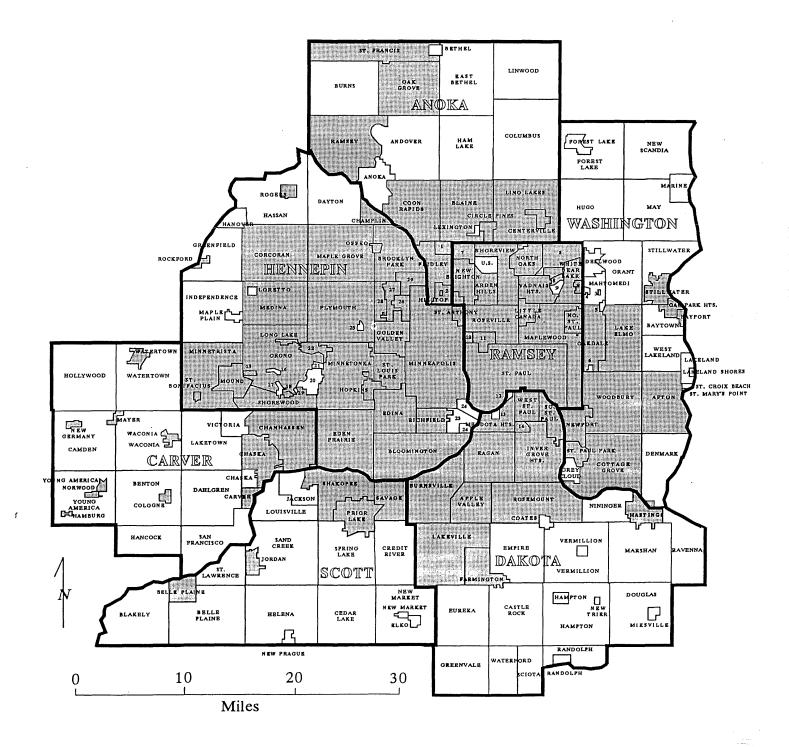
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Grey Cloud Lake Twp. Ham Lake Hampton Hampton Twp. Hancock Twp. Hassan Helena Twp. Hollywood Twp. Hugo Independence Jackson Twp. Lakeland Lakeland Shores Lake St.Croix Beach Laketown Twp. Landfall Lexington Lilvdale Linwood Twp. Loretto Louisville Twp. Mahtomedi Maple Plain Marine on St.Croix Marshan Twp. May Twp. Medicine Lake Mendota Miesville Minnetonka Beach New Market New Market Twp.

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Municipalities Electing to Participate in the *Metropolitan Livable Communities Act* Local Housing Incentives Account Program, 1997



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