

*City of Waltham*  
*Jeannette A. McCarthy*  
*Mayor*



TO: Diana Young, Chairperson, CPC  
FROM: Jeannette a. McCarthy  
DATE: July 18, 2014  
RE: City/Housing Department Application

As you are aware, I requested that the above matter be tabled because issues had arisen from CPC members about management of the program, particularly a lottery requirement for a lottery (not part of the City's application), and whether this proposal was an appropriate use of CPA money. The desires of some CPA members to have a lottery would be burdensome for the limited staff (3) of the Housing Division.

Traditionally, my administration has primarily subsidized the Waltham Housing Authority (WHA) for improvements to various of its state affordable housing complexes where the state has not provided money for the same; and, secondarily, the City provided some Housing funds to a certified CDC.

It was my intention that Waltham units be subsidized and not money be given out to tenants directly.

Therefore, in light of all of the above, the Housing Division at my request asked WHA if they would be willing to manage the program. The WHA's Director was receptive, but would require the Board's approval. The City's Housing Director was supposed to go to the July meeting of the Waltham Housing Authority, but due to illness was unable to attend. The matter has been postponed until August.

As such, the City withdraws its application to CPC.

If the Waltham Housing Authority Board agrees, the Waltham Housing Authority will be the applicant to the CPC for any program.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

*Jeannette A. McCarthy*

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cc: Robert Waters

Deb Flanagan

Walter McGuire, Executive Director WHA