

# PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

## HOUSING AND REVITALIZATION DEPARTMENT

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Emergency Manager Order No. 38 modified the Planning and Development Department and established the Housing and Revitalization Department. The order granted restructuring powers and responsibilities to various members of the executive branch. The order also made the following stipulations:

1. "The Human Resources Director shall file any employment position or new classification that is created on or after the date of this Order with the City Clerk and the Council on the 15th day of each month (or if such date is not a business day, the next succeeding business day), commencing on November 17, 2014. Such report shall include the compensation range of that employment position. Any new position that is created and filled shall be within available appropriations."
2. "For transparency, the Executive Branch department of the City described herein shall prepare a monthly report describing actions taken pursuant to this order on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month (or if such date is not a business day, the next succeeding business day) commencing on November 17, 2014. This report shall be filed with the City Clerk and City Council and posted on the City's website."

Both reports for the period of September 25, 2014 through October 31, 2014 are found below.

### **POSITIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS**

#### **Actions Completed to Date:**

No new positions or classifications were created.

### **RESTRUCTURING**

#### **Actions Completed to Date:**

- Transitional meetings held with leadership in DEGC, BSEED, OCFO, DBA, DLBA, Global Detroit, Invest Detroit, Legal, Budget
- Weekly departmental restructuring meetings occur with Human Resources
- US Department of Housing and Urban Development field office and local program office staff have been briefed to enable a transition to the new structure
- Process mapping meetings have occurred with the new Office of Grants Management
- Scheduled a personal visit to Detroit by the US HUD Deputy Assistant Secretary for Grants who controls the City's entitlement funding
- Scheduled meetings with City Council members on policy matters, including introduction of the new role and responsibilities

- Established weekly meetings with the DEGC for the management of the new development project pipeline
- Allocated funding and executed contracts with the EDC and Invest Detroit for the implementation of economic development activities.
- Began implementation of the US HUD and City of Detroit Transition Agreement bringing the Detroit Housing Commission (DHC) back under control of a local board by January 2015.
- Empanelled an Advisory Committee for DHC to become the DHC board assuming successful training in November