

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
DES MOINES, IOWA

ITEM 60

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 97-200
APRIL 21, 1997 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
1995 PUBLIC HOUSING DRUG ELIMINATION GRANT PROGRAM BUDGET REVISIONS (95PHDEP)	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	BILL WILKINS HOUSING SERVICES DIRECTOR

SYNOPSIS —

Budget revisions to the 95PHDEP.

FISCAL IMPACT —

N/A.

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval.

BACKGROUND —

On August 28, 1995, the City of Des Moines Department of Housing Services (DHS) executed a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the 95PHDEP. Since that time, DHS has implemented the 95PHDEP through the various components, which include:

- Program Compliance Coordinator
- Increased Police Patrols
- Resident Newsletter
- Multi-Crime-Free Housing Program
- Security Improvements
- Resident Development

Over the last 18 months, DHS has encounter several barriers regarding the implementation of the 95PHDEP. These barriers include:

- Delays in the publication of a newsletter, due to the inability to hire a contractor with the publication.
- The original Program Compliance Coordinator resigned after six months, and the hiring of a new PCC was delayed for six months.
- The Multi-Crime-Free Housing Program did not compliment public housing scattered-site units as well as expected; the program focuses on multi-housing or concentrated units.
- Resident development programs have not been as successful as predicted. Residents have been contacted through various outreach activities, but participation in these activities have been limited.

The following budget is a comparison to the approved grant budget and the requested amended budget.

Law Enforcement	\$ 46,000	\$ 46,000
Physical Improvements	\$ 23,832	\$ 80,032
Drug Prevention	\$112,000	\$ 55,000
Drug Intervention	\$ 74,668	\$ 75,468
Total	\$256,500	\$256,500

The amendment request does not change the scope of the 95PHDEP objectives, but does allow for successful program management.

On April 16, 1997, the Public Housing Board approved the amendment and recommended the revision to the City Council for approval.