



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

98-118

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
DES MOINES, IOWA**

AGENDA:

APRIL 6, 1998

SYNOPSIS —

SUBJECT:

GRANT
APPLICATION—
CONTINUATION OF
POLICE
DEPARTMENT' S
CRIME FREE
MULTI-HOUSING
PROGRAM

A grant application has been prepared for submission to the Governor' s Alliance on Substance Abuse (GASA) to continue the Police Department' s Crime Free Multi-Housing Program for the period July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999. The project' s aim is to reduce narcotics related offenses and incidents of violent crime in multi-unit residential housing through landlord and tenant education, improving security and environmental design of housing units, and organizing neighborhood watch programs within multi-housing complexes.

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

FISCAL IMPACT —

The total estimated budget for this project is \$58,317 with federal funding of \$43,738.25 being requested, and a required 25 percent City match of \$14,578.75. Funding for the City match has been identified in the Police Department' s Fiscal Year 1998/99 budget.

SUBMITTED BY:

WILLIAM
MOULDER
CHIEF OF POLICE

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval.

BACKGROUND —

In 1995, the Police Department submitted a grant application to GASA for a pilot project to respond to serious crime and drug issues occurring on multi-unit residential properties. Funding for the City' s Crime Free Multi-Housing Program was approved, and operational plans were put into motion in November 1995. The initial grant expired on June 30, 1996, and the City requested and received two years of continued

grant funding, with the latest continuation due to expire on June 30, 1998. This request for continuation will be the fourth and final year of grant funding eligibility for this program. If this request for continued funding is approved, the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program will continue current operations through June 30, 1999.

Council approval for the previous application to GASA for 1997-98 program funding occurred on April 7, 1997, Roll Call No. 97-1168.