

**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

**ITEM \_\_\_\_\_**

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

**98-535**

**SYNOPSIS -**

**AGENDA:**

Des Moines Habitat for Humanity has notified the City that it has completed its house at 107 Astor Street and is requesting a Certificate of Completion and release of its \$455 good faith deposit.

DECEMBER 7, 1998

**SUBJECT:**

Des Moines Habitat for Humanity purchased the site to construct a single-family home. The three-bedroom house is approximately 1200 square feet. The house will be sold to a qualifying low-income family.

HABITAT FOR  
HUMANITY PROJECT

**FISCAL IMPACT -**

**TYPE:**

N/A

**RESOLUTION  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE**

**RECOMMENDATION -**

**Approval.**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

**BACKGROUND -**

JIM GRANT  
COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT  
DIRECTOR

In March 1998, the City of Des Moines sold the property located at 107 Astor Street to Habitat for Humanity. This parcel is located in the Capitol East Urban Renewal Area. Habitat for Humanity planned to construct a new home on the lot in conjunction with Plymouth Congregational United Church of Christ. The proposed house met the minimum development standards established by the Urban Renewal Board. The City required a good faith deposit of \$455 to be refunded upon completion of construction. On November 23, 1998, staff inspected the house on Parcel N-8 and has determined that the improvements are substantially complete and in compliance with the terms of the urban renewal contract.

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