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SUBJECT—

Approval of 2003 Shelter Plus Care Agreement with HUD.

SYNOPSIS—

Approval of 2003 Shelter Plus Care Agreement by and between HUD and the City of Des Moines for supplemental funding for local homeless programs to address service gaps.

FISCAL IMPACT—

This grant award totals \$738,792, which the Housing Services Department will administer.

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval.

BACKGROUND—

On behalf of the City, the Housing Services Department submitted an application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Shelter Plus Care funding to provide rental assistance services to homeless persons in Des Moines and Polk County. HUD has forwarded the Shelter Plus Care grant agreement totaling \$738,792, which requires Council approval. As the applicant, the City is responsible for the overall management and

administration of the grant, including drawdowns, fund distribution and reporting to HUD. This grant is for one year, May 9, 2004 to May 8, 2005.

The project sponsor, Anawim Housing, will provide permanent supportive housing for homeless persons with disabilities through rent subsidies. Anawim will also provide the rent reasonableness, rent calculations, annual housing quality standards (HQS) inspections and monitoring of tenants while they are on sublease with the Shelter Plus Care program.