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SUBJECT—

Authorization to Submit Application for 244 Section 8 Relocation and Replacement Vouchers.

SYNOPSIS—

Requesting approval for submission of a funding application to the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) for Section 8 Tenant-based housing assistance in the Section 8 Housing Voucher program. The Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency (DMMHA) seeks to be awarded 244 additional Section 8 Housing Vouchers for the sale of homes sold under its approved HUD disposition plan. Also requesting approval to authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute and implement funding if awarded.

FISCAL IMPACT—

\$1,136,064 per year for Housing Assistance Payments and \$128,861 per year for administrative fees.

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval

BACKGROUND—

On August 19, 2003, the DMMHA received approval on an application for the disposition of 394 public housing units. The DMMHA is requesting housing vouchers for relocation and replacement to compensate for the public housing units that will be sold. Of the 244 vouchers, DMMHA is requesting 171 relocation vouchers for families currently living in the homes and 73 replacement vouchers for those specified homes that are currently vacant. This application requests issuing 25 vouchers per month September 2005 through June 2006.

By disposing of the approved properties, the DMMHA will provide higher quality housing and will better assist existing and potential clients through more efficient service at less cost to the DMMHA, its clients, and HUD.