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GENERAL INFORMATION

Agenda Date: 08/22/05 Communication No.: 05-466

Agenda Item Type: Resolution Roll Call No:

Submitted by: Chris Johansen, Housing Services Director

SUBJECT—

Memorandum of Understanding with Rebuilding Together for the rehabilitation of seven Public Housing units for sale in the 5h Affordable Homeownership Program.

SYNOPSIS—

To approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Rebuilding Together for the rehabilitation of seven Public Housing units for sale in the 5h Affordable Homeownership Program.

FISCAL IMPACT—

The value of the donation from Rebuilding Together is estimated at \$18,200 (approximately \$2600/per home). The Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency's (DMMHA) contribution is estimated to be \$60,000 - \$70,000 for materials and outside contractors. Funding for the DMMHA's contribution is available in the Housing Services – Maintenance fund, account number SP350 HSG070000.

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval

BACKGROUND—

The Department of Housing Services is a participant in the Section 5(h) Affordable Homeownership Program, which was approved on May 30, 2000, by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. Under this program, single-family homes in the public housing inventory are sold to eligible housing program participants.

This project includes a workday on October 13, 2005 where volunteers from Meredith Corporation (working through Rebuilding Together) will rehabilitate the following seven properties: 2403 Payne Road, 2950 State Avenue, 3210 Kinsey Avenue, 1240 E 24th Street, 2234 E 34th Street, 2417 Bennett Avenue, and 2501 E 41st Court. These homes will then be sold to low-income families through our 5h Affordable Homeownership Program.