



**Council
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May 8, 2006

Agenda Item No. 20

Roll Call No. 06-

Communication No. 06-244

Submitted by: Chris M. Johansen, Housing
Services Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of Shelter Plus Care (S+C) Grant Agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

SYNOPSIS:

Approval of S+C Grant Agreement by and between HUD and the City of Des Moines for supplemental funding for local homeless programs to address service gaps. The grant agreement provides for a one-year continuation of the Anawim Housing Sponsor-Based Rental Assistance Program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$745,488

Funding Source: HUD/Shelter Plus Care 2006-07 Operating Budget, Page 317, SPLC2006099

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On behalf of the City, the Housing Services Department submitted an application to 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 \$745,488, 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, 2006 to May 8, 2007.

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.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 23, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-1277

Action: 2004 Shelter Plus Care Application to HUD for supplemental funding of local homeless programs to address service gaps. (Council Communication No. 05-312) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Date: May 18, 2005

Roll Call Number: NA

Action: The Neighborhood Revitalization Board (NRB) received application information.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE