



Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date

June 4, 2007

Agenda Item No. 24

Roll Call No. 07-

Communication No. 07-319

Submitted by: Chris M. Johansen, Housing
Services Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of Continuum of Care Program Application.

SYNOPSIS:

The City of Des Moines is proposing to submit an application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Continuum of Care Program funding which will provide needed services to homeless persons in Des Moines and Polk County. The program is designed to develop supportive housing and related services that will allow homeless persons to live as independently as possible.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$2,655,424 (application amount)

Funding Source: HUD/Continuum of Care Program

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On behalf of the City, the Housing Services Department is proposing to be the applicant for a Continuum of Care grant that includes the HUD geographic areas of the City of Des Moines, West Des Moines and Polk County in the amount of \$2,655,424. The application is made up of ten Supportive Housing Program (SHP) projects and one Shelter Plus Care (S+C) project. As the applicant, the City's Housing Services Department will be responsible for the overall management and administration of the grant, including drawdowns, fund distribution and reporting to HUD.

The attached communication from The Polk County Housing Continuum (PCHC) summarizes their activities taken to develop the Continuum of Care application and funding recommendations. The City Manager agrees with their recommendations.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 22, 2006

Roll Call Number: [06-1011](#)

Action: Approving Continuum of Care Program application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) which will provide services to homeless persons in Des Moines and Polk

County, \$2,571,481. ([Council Communication No. 06-282](#)) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): Neighborhood Revitalization Board

Date: May 30, 2007

Roll Call Number: N/A

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

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE