



# Council Communication

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Agenda Item No. MHGB2  
Roll Call No. 08-  
Communication No. 08-423  
Submitted by: Chris M. Johansen, Housing  
Services Director

## AGENDA HEADING:

Request authorization for the City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency to submit a Public Housing Family Self-Sufficiency Program Coordinator grant. Application will be made to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

## SYNOPSIS:

Recommend Council approval for submission of the Public Housing Family Self-Sufficiency Program Coordinator grant to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and authorization for the Mayor to execute and the City Manager to implement the grant if awarded.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$30,602

Funding Source: 2008-2009 Operating Budget, Page 178, Housing Services Department Capital Fund Program, HSG280000.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency received funding last year from HUD for a part-time program coordinator to administer a Public Housing Family Self-Sufficiency Program for Public Housing residents.

The program coordinator provides individual case management to assist residents in achieving goals to become self-sufficient. FSS Coordinators provide training, education, and job development skills to enrolled residents. The Housing Agency has provided such a program since 1985.

Funds are available through HUD to renew last year's grant and the grant will cover 50% of the salary and fringe benefits for one full-time program coordinator. The remainder of the salary and fringe benefits are paid from Section 8 administrative fees for their work with the Section 8 FSS program.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE**

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):**

Date: May 21, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-926

Action: Authorizing City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency to submit the Public Housing Family Self Sufficiency Program Coordinator Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. (Council Communication No. 07-307) Moved by Vlassis to approve. Motion Carried 6-2.

Date: May 22, 2006

Roll Call Number: 06-965

Action: Authorizing submission of Public Housing Family Self Sufficiency Program Coordinator Grant Application to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. (Council Communication No. 06-309) Moved by Nesbitt to approve. Motion Carried 8-0.

Date: June 20, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-1473

Action: Authorizing Municipal Housing Agency to submit the Public Housing Family Self Sufficiency Program Coordinator Grant Application to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. (Council Communication No. 05-361) Moved by Nesbitt to approve. Motion Carried 7-1.

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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