

# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

**Date** July 13, 2009

Agenda Item No. 44
Roll Call No. <u>09-</u>
Communication No. 09-441

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City Manager

#### **AGENDA HEADING:**

Approval of a request to the U.S. Department of Labor for a six month extension of the Multiple Education Pathways Blueprint (MEPB) program.

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

At their meeting on June 4, 2007, by Roll Call No. 07-1083, the City Council approved submitting a grant application to the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) – Employment Training Administration for \$300,000 of DOL funding to implement a Multiple Education Pathways Blueprint. The city was notified on June 28, 2007 that the application was approved for \$491,666 for the period from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009. At their meeting on September 10, 2007, by Roll Call No. 07 – 1787 the City Council authorized the Mayor to sign the grant agreement, submit a revised budget incorporating the additional funds and approved a sub-recipient agreement with the Des Moines Area Community College to implement the program. It is now necessary to authorize the Mayor to submit a request to DOL for a six month extension of the project from July 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$491,666 (Pass Through Revenue from initial grant. No fiscal impact from extension.)

<u>Funding Source</u>: Department of Labor – Employment Training Administration. ETAG 2007001 SPO27 CDD049900 2009 Adopted Budget, Page 107.

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

This six month extension will allow the project to complete the development of alternative strategies to assist youth to stay in school. The extension activities will provide more detailed development of such strategies via Project Director led Drop-Out Reengagement undertakings in line with MEPB gap analysis research. This is a no-cost extension and does not require any line item increases or budget modifications. There is approximately \$125,000 remaining.

### PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: September 10, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-1787

<u>Action:</u> <u>Contract</u> with the U.S. Department of Labor to create a local multiple education pathways blueprint and subcontract the implementation of the program to the Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC). (<u>Council Communication No. 07-542</u>

) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Coleman.

Date: June 4, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-1083

<u>Action</u>: <u>Submittal</u> of a Multiple Education Pathways Blueprint Grant from the United States Department of Labor. (<u>Council Communication No. 07-346</u>) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

# **BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

## ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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