



Council Communication

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August 10, 2009

Agenda Item No. 37

Roll Call No. ~~09-~~

Communication No. ~~09-544~~

Submitted by: Larry D. Hulse, Community
Development Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of the United Way of Central Iowa Investment Agreement for FY 2009-2010.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend Council approval of the United Way of Central Iowa Investment Agreement for FY 2009-2010 for the Community Development Department's Community Action Program. The program will be administered through the Community Development Department's Community Services Division, from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, in the amount of \$20,894.86. The funds will support the site office operations, including staff costs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$20,894.86

Funding Source: Funding from the United Way of Central Iowa will be deposited to the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Operating Budget, Community Development Department, United Way, CDD980160, SP027, page 68.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The United Way of Central Iowa, Sarah Roy, Chief Operating Officer, 1111 9th Street, Suite 100, Des Moines, Iowa 50314, provides funding for the City's Community Action Agency (CAA) with services delivered through the Community Development Department's Community Services Division. Services are delivered through the downtown office in the Armory Building and the Forest Avenue, Logan and Archie Brooks Community Services site offices. The Low-income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) also provide funding to the City's Community Action efforts.

The Community Services Division operates as the CAA for the City of Des Moines. It is charged with providing services to the City's low-income families and trying to address and eliminate causes of poverty. The City became a public CAA in 1977.

The beginnings of Community Action can be found in the signing of the Federal Equal Opportunity Act in 1964. There are now 1,000 CAAs in the U.S. The City of Des Moines is one of eighteen CAAs serving Iowa.

United Way of Central Iowa's Investment Agreement requires that the City's CAA use the funding received in compliance with applicable federal anti-terrorist financing and asset control laws, including but not limited to, the USA Patriot Act. This stipulation is included in the Anti-Terrorism Compliance Measures form to be signed and executed by the Mayor.

In addition, United Way of Central Iowa requires funding recipients, such as the City's CAA, to have signed and acknowledged understanding of the July 2008 Community Investment Manual that was submitted to the Community Services Division of the Community Development Department, along with the 2008/2009 Investment Agreement. This manual sets forth United Way's policies and procedures for use of its funding with which the CAA is expected to comply.

United Way of Central Iowa also requires that its funding recipients comply with a Diversity Policy accomplished by Roll Call.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: August 11, 2008

Roll Call Number: 07-1438

Action: United Way of Central Iowa Community Investment Agreement for Fiscal Year 2007-2008. (Council Communication No. 07-441) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NRB – Neighborhood Revitalization Board

Date: August 5, 2009

Action: Recommend approval of the United Way Investment Agreement – 2009-2010.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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