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	Agenda Item No. 30 Roll Call No. <u>09-</u> Communication No. <u>09-635</u> Submitted by: Larry Hulse, Community Development Director	

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving the Second Amendment to the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program Grant Agreement.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend Council approval of the Second Amendment to the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program Grant Agreement with the Iowa Finance Authority for additional state funding to assist with the recovery efforts from the 2008 flooding. The original application for these funds was in the amount of \$500,000 and was authorized by Council on June 30, 2009 by Roll Call 09-1166. Due to limited funding, only \$162,715 was awarded to the City of Des Moines.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$162,715 Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program

Funding Sources: The Iowa Finance Authority is providing the funding for the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On September 30, 2008 by Roll Call 08-1711 Council approved the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program Grant Agreement with the Iowa Finance Authority which provided funding in the amount of \$658,711.43 for three housing programs to assist residents impacted by the heavy rain and flooding events of 2008. The programs created Jumpstart Housing Assistance which allows Des Moines homeowners impacted by last summer’s rain and flood events to access assistance for down payments, housing repair/rehabilitation, and interim mortgage assistance. The programs have been expanded to include repair/rehabilitation assistance to landlords as well.

Since the initial State funding was awarded in September of 2008, three additional allocations have already been awarded to Des Moines for the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Programs:

- \$1,177,014 in Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds administered by the Iowa Department of Economic Development (IDED). Half of these funds were provided to the City by the approval a CDBG Housing Disaster Recovery Fund Contract with the Iowa Department of Economic Development on October 13, 2008 (Roll Call 08-1810).

- \$790,453.71 from the State of Iowa via House File 64 and administered by the Iowa Finance Authority (IFA). Council authorized receipt of these funds through a grant agreement amendment on February 9, 2009 by Roll Call 09-236.
- \$1,008,869 in CDBG funds administered by the IDED. Council authorized receipt of these funds through authorization of the Iowa Department of Economic Development (IDED) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Disaster Recovery Fund Contract (08-DHR-209).

The amendment up for consideration would add additional funds to the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program:

- \$162,715 from the State of Iowa via Senate File 376 and administered by the Iowa Finance Authority (IFA). Council authorized application for these funds on June 30, 2009 by Roll Call 09-1166.
- Total Jumpstart Budget with Proposed Amendment: \$3,797,763.14

The primary focus of these funds will be to assist Jumpstart Applicants which we are unable to assist due to their income level or the assessed value of their homes. In many cases expensive foundation work is needed on houses that are only assessed between \$20,000 and \$30,000. This new funding will allow the City to make needed repairs to stabilize the structures and keep families in their homes. The City of Des Moines continues to have State 2 and Federal CDBG Jumpstart funds available. These new funds will be used in conjunction with the existing funds to complete needed repairs.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: June 30, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-1166

Action: Authorizing submittal of Disaster Damage Housing Assistance Grant Fund (Jumpstart State 3) Application to the Iowa Finance Authority. (Council Communication No. 09-440) Moved by Hensley to approve. Motion Carried 5-2.

Date: October 13, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-1810

Action: Approving CDBG Housing Disaster Recovery Fund Contract with Iowa Department of Economic Development. Sponsor: Mahaffey. (Council Communication No. 08-628) Moved by Mahaffey to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Cownie.

Date: September 30, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-1711

Action: Approving Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program Grant Agreement and Application for Jumpstart Small Business Assistance and CDBG Supplemental Funds to assist with recovery efforts due to flooding. Sponsor: Mahaffey. (Council Communication No.

08-589) Moved by Mahaffey to refer to the City Manager to review energy efficiency and elevation of the homes and businesses. Motion Carried 6-1.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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