



Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

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Agenda Item No.	36A
Roll Call No.	<u>11-0042</u>
Communication No.	<u>11-027</u>
Submitted by:	Richard A. Clark, City Manager

AGENDA HEADING:

Authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Iowa Office of Energy Independence (OEI) to accept a \$30,000 Power Fund Community Grant for community outreach and education demonstrating energy efficiency and sustainability concepts.

SYNOPSIS:

The City of Des Moines submitted an application for an Iowa Power Fund Community Grant to the OEI in December 2010. A \$30,000 grant was awarded to develop a branding program to improve community education on the impacts of sustainability projects funded by the City.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Not to exceed \$30,000 (1:1 match)

Funding Source: 2010-2011 CIP – Page Municipal Building Improvements - 7, Energy Conservation, BLD110 - \$60,000 (\$30,000 Iowa Power Fund Community Grant/\$30,000 GO Bonds Issued).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City of Des Moines has adopted the goal of being a sustainable green community, and has taken numerous actions through management of public buildings, equipment, vehicles, land and water resources to reach this goal.

The goal of this project is to create a brand of signage to emphasize specific sustainability efforts that have been accomplished within City facilities. These signs will be included in buildings such as the Franklin Avenue Library, the Grandview Community Club House, City Hall and the Police Department. Ideally, a sign would be placed with each individual project within a facility (windows, geothermal, rain garden) to discuss what it impacts (water, air, etc) and how it is impacted. The ability to replicate the branded signs for future projects will help continue public educational efforts on sustainability.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: November 22, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-1939

Action: [Grant](#) Application to Iowa Office of Energy Independence under the Power Fund Community Grant Program for community outreach and education demonstrating energy efficiency and sustainability concepts, \$30,000. ([Council Communication No. 10-705](#)) **Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1.**

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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