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	Communication No.	<u>11-320</u>
	Submitted by:	Terrance N. Vorbrich,
		Acting Economic
		Development
		Administrator

AGENDA HEADING:

Resolution Approving Murillo Flats, L.L.C. Application for Enterprise Zone Benefits for a Housing Project in the City of Des Moines

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of application as follows: Murillo Flats, L.L.C. (Ryan Galloway, Member of Murillo Flats, L.L.C, 1312 Locust Street Suite 300 A, Des Moines, Iowa 50309) for Enterprise Zone benefits for a \$563,608 project to rehabilitate the historic Murillo Building into six residential units.

FISCAL IMPACT:

<u>Amount</u>: \$50,700 Investment Tax Credit; \$9,600 Sales Tax Rebate. These are State of Iowa tax credits and have no impact on the general fund of the City of Des Moines.

Funding Source: State of Iowa Enterprise Zone Program

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Murillo Building was constructed in 1905, and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The building was relocated to its present site in 2008, in conjunction with the construction of Wellmark's corporate headquarters. A strong interest in the building's preservation was shared by the Sherman Hill Neighborhood Association, the City of Des Moines and the original developer, prompting the relocation.

Due to significant financial difficulties involved with meeting historic requirements for the rehabilitation, the original developer did not complete the project. The building has been vacant for over two years, and has been toured by numerous development interests. Ryan Galloway has proposed a project to complete the rehabilitation work and provide a second useful life for the building.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: April 25, 2011

Roll Call Number: 11-0689

<u>Action:</u> Preliminary commitment of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Loan Funds for completion of rehabilitation and site improvements at 605 16th Street (Murillo Apartments, 1531 High), \$250,000. (Council Communication No. 11-235) Moved by Hensley to adopt; refer to the City Manager to answer questions regarding timeline, decks, contact with neighbors and financing. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

The application will be presented to the City of Des Moines Enterprise Zone Commission for review. Following review and approval, the application will be forwarded to the Iowa Department of Economic Development.

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