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	Agenda Item No. 24 Roll Call No. <u>12-1096</u> Communication No. <u>12-380</u> Submitted by: Douglas C. Romig, Housing Services Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Renewal Contract Between the City of Des Moines and Best Heating, Cooling and Electric Incorporated for the Provision of Residential Furnace and Water Heater Replacement, Tune and Clean and Repair Services.

SYNOPSIS:

Approval of the Renewal Contract Between the City of Des Moines and Best Heating, Cooling and Electric Incorporated for the Provision of Residential Furnace and Water Heater Replacement, Tune and Clean and Repair Services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$120,000 (estimated annual expense).

Funding Source:

- \$100,000 – LIHEAP contract with Iowa Department of Human Rights/Division of Community Action Agencies; SP033, CDD049900, LIHE2012001, page 57
- \$ 7,500 – City of Des Moines gas/electric utility franchise fees; GE001, CDD004100, page 48
- \$12,500 – I-CARE, Mid American Customer contribution funds; SP0749, CDD980100, page 18

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Housing Services Department’s Community Action Agency Division is charged with providing services to the City’s low-income families and trying to address and eliminate causes of poverty. The Agency’s residential furnace repair and replacement program will maintain safe heating systems in homes owned by qualified low-income families.

Originally ten (10) Requests for Proposals were mailed and the City received four (4) responses with Best Heating, Cooling and Electric, as the primary contractor to provide these services. Staff is recommending that the Housing Services Director be authorized to execute the fifth and final renewal for these services.

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

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 7, 2007

Roll Call Number: [07-877](#)

Action: Proposals and contracts with G & M Electric & Mechanical Contractors Inc. and Best Heating, Cooling & Electric for provision of low-income residential furnace and water heater replacement, tune and clean, repair services. ([Council Communication No. 07-262](#)). **Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0**

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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