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	Agenda Item No. MHGB3 Roll Call No. <u>14-0922</u> Communication No. <u>14-314</u> Submitted by: Douglas C. Romig, Housing Services Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of United Way of Central Iowa (UWCI) funding agreement for Family Self-Sufficiency Program.

SYNOPSIS:

Authorization of the United Way’s Community Investment Agreement to secure grant funding to aid in increasing case management services to Public Housing and Section 8 Family Self-Sufficiency clients.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$50,000

Funding Source: United Way of Central Iowa grant; FY Recommended Operational Budget S350 HS120131 (Royal View) and S350 HSG125000 (Section 8); pages 109 and 116.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The UWCI provides funding for the Housing Services Department’s Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency’s (DMMHA) Family Self-Sufficiency Program. The funds from this grant support the Family Self-Sufficiency’s case management services to Public Housing and Section 8 clients in achieving economic self-sufficiency.

The Family Self-Sufficiency program provides one-to-one case management services to participating Public Housing and Section 8 clients. Individual development plans are created to aid participants in reaching their educational, employment, and personal goals. The Agency’s Family Self-Sufficiency Coordinators are funded through specialized grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The United Way grant funds will enable the DMMHA to increase the number of families being served through this program.

The DMMHA has received a preliminary funding recommendation letter from the UWCI indicating an Investment Agreement of \$50,000 for fiscal year 2014/2015. The finalized Investment Agreement will be sent to DMMHA by July 5, 2014. The UWCI has implemented a new funding model in which the Investment Agreement between UWCI and DMMHA will be designed as a one (1) year contract while defining the intent to fund for three (3) years. Both the preliminary funding recommendation and new UWCI funding model explanation letters are on file in the City Clerk’s Office.

Due to the timeline requests of UWCI in returning the Grant Fund Agreement, the Housing Services Department is seeking authorization for the City Manager or his designee to sign the Grant Fund Agreement upon review and approval by the City's Legal Department.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: July 15, 2013

Roll Call Number: [13-1063](#)

Action: [Approving](#) FY 2014 Community Impact Investment Agreement with United Way of Central Iowa for the Family Self-Sufficiency Program July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. ([Board Communication No. 13-345](#)) Moved by Mahaffey to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: December 17, 2012

Roll Call Number: [12-1941](#)

Action: [FY 2012-2013 Community Impact Investment Agreement with United Way of Central Iowa.](#) ([Council Communication No. 12-610](#)) Moved by Hensley to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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