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**AGENDA HEADING:**

Approval of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding allocation for Continuum of Care Board (CoCB) Executive Director.

**SYNOPSIS:**

The City of Des Moines and Polk County established a Homeless Coordinating Council (HCC) on April 26, 2010 by joint resolution. The HCC has worked to establish a CoCB to promote a communitywide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness. The CDBG funding allocation would be used by the CoCB to hire an Executive Director to provide staff support to the CoCB and leadership on homelessness initiatives throughout the community. This approval is for \$75,000 per year for three (3) years.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$75,000 per year for three (3) years

Funding Source: 2015 CDBG Fund and future CDBG Fund Allocations

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

The CoCB Administrative Work Group reviewed the staffing needs of the CoCB and developed a proposal for the City of Des Moines and Polk County Board of Supervisors to review. This proposal included staffing needs to further the goals of the CoCB.

On January 20, 2015, the Polk County Board of Supervisors approved partial funding for the CoCB Executive Director position. Their approval included funding of \$75,000 per year for three (3) years. This funding, along with the recommended funding from the City will allow for the hiring of an Executive Director for the CoCB.

The Executive Director for the CoCB will be responsible for the day to day operations of the CoCB and furthering their goals. Additionally, the funding will be available to hire an additional staff person for the CoCB to provide additional support.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE**

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):**

Board: Homeless Coordinating Council

Date: February 10, 2015

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: The Homeless Coordinating Council supported the funding recommendation from the City of Des Moines and encouraged the CoCB to move quickly to hire this needed position.

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

This approval includes funding commitments from CDBG for 2016 and 2017.

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