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	Agenda Item No. 40 Roll Call No. <u>16-0967</u> Communication No. <u>16-296</u> Submitted by: Carl Metzger, Deputy City Manager

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of participant agreement with the National League of Cities (NLC) for the Leadership in Community Resilience Project.

SYNOPSIS:

The NLC has selected the City of Des Moines to participate in its new Leadership in Community Resilience Program. The program is a year-long commitment that includes two (2) main components: (1) a monthly Policy and Practice Exchange facilitated by NLC staff, and (2) a grant in the amount of \$10,000 to support a mayoral-level local resilience event.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

Amount: \$10,000 grant

Funding Source: No City funds are impacted.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Leadership in Community Resilience Program will begin in the summer of 2016 and end in the summer of 2017. Des Moines is one (1) of 10 cities from across the nation selected to be part of this program. The City will designate a lead staff who will be responsible for corresponding with NLC and who will participate in the monthly calls. The purpose of the calls is to provide participating cities a place to discuss local resilience goals, solicit feedback from other cities in a collaborative environment, and connect with multiple public and private sector practitioners throughout the country.

The \$10,000 grant funding will be used to host a mayoral-level local resilience event that contributes to the City’s local resilience efforts. Suggested uses include, but are not limited to:

- Cross-departmental resilience workshops for City staff;
- Community engagement in the STAR Communities certification process; and
- Public engagement forums to promote awareness and foster whole-community resilience.

Grant funds may be spent on costs related to local resilience events deemed appropriate by the Mayor and the City Manager’s Office.

NLC will also provide an invitation to an elected official to attend the 2016 Resilient Cities Summit.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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