

# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

**Date:** August 22, 2016

Agenda Item No. 39

Roll Call No. <u>16-1417</u> Communication No. 16-482

Submitted by: Phillip Delafield,

**Community** 

**Development Director** 

## **AGENDA HEADING:**

Authorizing submittal of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 State of Iowa Certified Local Government (CLG) Grant Application for support in hosting the 2018 National Alliance of Preservation Commission's FORUM Conference.

### **SYNOPSIS:**

On October 26, 2015, by Roll Call No. 15-1790, the City Council authorized a partnership with the Iowa State Historic Preservation Office – Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA) to submit a proposal to host the 2018 National Alliance of Preservation Commission's FORUM Conference. Des Moines has been selected as the host city for the 2018 conference. The City of Des Moines and DCA are obligated to secure at least \$35,000 in local cash funding with the goal of raising at least \$42,700 to assist with costs associated with conducting the conference. The proposed \$12,000 CLG grant request would assist in this endeavor. The City's contribution is anticipated to be \$10,000 in addition to facilitating the use of the CLG grant funds. Other entities have pledged a total of \$20,700 in cash match as well as volunteer services to support the conference. The effort to secure additional financial and volunteer support will continue.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$10,000 is the maximum City contribution anticipated.

Funding Source: To be determined.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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DCA has pledged \$10,000 to the effort and identified the CLG Grant program as a potential source for additional funds. The Greater Des Moines Convention and Visitors Bureau has pledged \$10,000. The Preservation Iowa organization has pledged \$500 and volunteer support. The Des Moines Rehabbers Club has pledged \$200 and volunteer support. Main Street Iowa, Historic East Village, Des Moines

Neighbors, the North of Grand Neighborhood Association, the River Bend Neighborhood Association, the Sherman Hill Neighborhood Association and the Iowa Architectural Foundation have pledged volunteer support. The effort to secure additional financial and volunteer support will continue. The City's contribution is anticipated to be \$10,000 in addition to facilitating the use of the CLG grant funds.

Hosting the conference would allow the accomplishments and innovative strategies that have been used in Des Moines to be showcased to a national audience, and would provide an affordable opportunity for the Des Moines Historic Preservation Commission, City staff, elected officials, design professionals, developers and interested citizens to attend a national conference. The event is expected to attract at least 500 participants. The largest FORUM conference to date attracted nearly 800 participants. Hosting this event will provide an economic benefit to Des Moines' hotels and businesses.

# PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: October 26, 2015

Roll Call Number: 15-1790

<u>Action</u>: <u>Request</u> from Iowa State Historic Preservation Office – Department of Cultural Affairs seeking a letter of support and partnership in submitting a bid to host the 2018 National Alliance of Preservation Commission's FORUM Conference. Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Mahaffey.

## **BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

#### ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Approval of CLG Grant program agreement and other agreements as necessary in hosting the 2018 FORUM Conference.

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