



Date May 19, 2008

Resolution to Support the Polk County Health Department Application to the Housing and Urban Development 2008 Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program Grant

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines is an entitlement community under the authority of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and implements the Des Moines 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan to guide the distribution of entitlement funds for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) programs; and

WHEREAS, the regulations that direct the HUD Consolidated Plan require each entitlement community to address how they will respond and reduce lead-based paint hazards and describe how lead-based paint hazards will be integrated into housing policies and programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines is listed as a subcontractor in the Polk County Health Department application proposal for a three-year, \$3 million dollar Lead Hazard Control Program Grant to perform rehabilitation work for eligible low to moderate-income homeowners and rental housing property-owners, and

WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Conservation Services (NCS) Division of the Community Development Department will budget \$213,333 CDBG and \$106,000 HOME funds annually for bricks and mortar rehabilitation activities and will maintain the level of funding for staff for the next three years to support a program that partners the City and the Polk County Health Department to provide a Lead-Based Paint Control Program; and

Whereas, the HUD Lead Hazard Control Grant application has a ten percent cash match requirement and the City's CDBG funds are being used by Polk County in the grant so the application is competitive. As noted in the budget, the application will also be utilizing the competitive grant funds the city receives from the Federal Home Loan Bank as leveraged funds; and

Whereas, the proposed program to be funded by the Lead Grant application will be integrated into the existing homeowner program and the rental program will be expanded to address the needs identified by this grant. The lead reduction rental component will require changing the selection criteria in the current NCS program. The majority of the rental funds are funds used for Tax credit projects or multi-family redevelopment projects. This grant application would require the City to reserve HOME funds for the rental portion of the grant application; and



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WHEREAS, the Community Services Division of the Community Development Department has agreed to be a contributing partner with the Polk County Health Department in the areas of education and community outreach of the Lead-Based Paint Control Program with in-kind and program support valued at \$27,990 over the three-year program period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the City Council is in support of the Polk County Health Department's submission for the HUD 2008 Lead Hazard Control Program Grant and authorizes the City Manager to sign a letter of commitment for the grant application submission.

Moved by _____ to adopt.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

(Council Communication No. **08-295**)



Michael F. Kelley
Assistant City Attorney

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_____ Mayor				

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

_____ City Clerk