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Communication from the Chair of the Neighborhood Revitalization Board regarding the second (2011) year Action Plan of the 2010-2014 HUD Consolidated Plan

MOVED BY _____ to receive and file.

FORM APPROVED:


Michael F. Kelley
Assistant City Attorney

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COWNIE				
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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.

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

_____ Mayor

_____ City Clerk

TO: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Neal Westergaard, Chair
Neighborhood Revitalization Board

SUBJECT: 2011 HUD Consolidated Plan Recommendations

DATE: October 7, 2010

At their meeting on Wednesday, October 6, 2010, the Neighborhood Revitalization Board (NRB) adopted the attached funding recommendations for the 2011 HUD Consolidated Plan. The Plan includes the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) and the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Programs.

The recommended allocations are based on community development objectives, which are included in the 5-year (2010–2014) HUD Consolidated Plan Strategy recommended by the NRB and adopted by the City Council on June 22, 2009. Notices of Funding Availability (NOFAs) were developed based on the objectives and the NOFAs for the First and Second-year Action Plans were also approved by the City Council on June 22, 2009 and forwarded to potential operating agencies and city departments on June 26, 2009.

On September 8, 2010, the NRB received the following estimate of HUD Consolidated Plan funding to be available in 2011: \$4,638,276 in CDBG; \$1,082,485 in HOME, and \$187,214 in ESG. After adding carryover funds (\$166,616) and deducting for planning, management, indirect costs, citizen participation, and monitoring, there is \$5,078,982 available for projects (\$3,926,892 CDBG, \$974,237 HOME, and \$177,853 ESG).

The NRB recommendations take into consideration the City-Wide Strategic Plan, the Neighborhood Revitalization Plans, the 12 City Council Goal Statements, and the goals of the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs which, are "*to primarily benefit low- and moderate- income persons by providing decent housing; a suitable living environment; and expanding economic opportunities*".

Most of the projects were funded at approximately the same level as last year, but in order to meet the 2011 budget projections, the NRB had to allocate less than what was requested by most agencies. The NRB recommendations also reflect the City Council's action at their meeting on December 21, 2009, to reduce the CDBG allocation to non-profit agencies by 50% in 2011.

Chris Johansen, Assistant City Manager met with the NRB on Wednesday, October 6, 2010 to discuss the City staff's recommendations for allocation of the HUD 2011 Consolidated Plan funding.

The NRB adopted the attached recommendations for allocation of the 2011 Consolidated Plan funds, which include the following changes to the staff recommendations:

- Neighborhood Based Service Delivery (NBSD): staff recommendation - \$1,516,184. NRB recommendation \$1,416,184. The staff recommendation is a significant increase (\$452,000) over the 2010 allocation and while the NRB is aware that this program is effective and well

received by residents, the federal funding amounts to almost half of the total costs of the program and is nearly 40% of the projected total CDBG allocation. The NRB believes that the program could operate more efficiently by requiring landlords to take part in the Police-sponsored program for screening potential tenants. We also recommend that the City re-evaluate the CDBG share of the costs and work toward reducing the allocation in the future.

- Neighborhood Site Office Service Delivery: staff recommendation \$225,000. NRB recommendation - \$325,000. The additional funding would come from the \$100,000 reduction in the NBSD allocation. The economic crisis has resulted in more households seeking assistance in meeting basic needs. The site offices provide helpful information and referrals for assistance, and also operate programs in coordination with other area service providers that help meet these needs.
- DART - Opportunities Thru Transit - last year the NRB recommended that the agency develop a sliding scale based on income that will allow more people to participate at little or no cost. This program assists low-income people to get to work and/or job training. Lack of transportation is a significant barrier to employment and training. It is our understanding that there is a waiting list for people who need this service. These people should be given passes until they start earning an income. Lost revenue to DART cannot be made up from a waiting list. If these people become employed, they can be paying customers. We will request that DART meet with the NRB to discuss this issue and provide information on how they plan to meet the transportation needs of low-income residents in the near future.

If there are additional 2011 CDBG, HOME, and/or ESG funds allocated by the federal government the NRB recommends that only agencies who applied for the 2010/2011 program years be considered for additional or reprogrammed funds. This insures that agencies do not by-pass the established citizen participation process and that their proposals have been reviewed.

The NRB looks forward to working with city staff, other public/private agencies, and the City Council to implement the 2011 Consolidated Plan.


Neal Westergaard, Chair
Neighborhood Revitalization Board

cc: City Manager
Neighborhood Revitalization Board Members

2011 PROPOSALS

Code	Description	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount
Code Enforcement							
NID - NH Based Service Delivery		\$1,064,184				\$1,416,184	
Econ. Development - Commercial Redevelopment							
OED-Neighborhood Commercial Revit. Loan Program		\$100,000				\$100,000	
Economic Development - Microenterprises							
OED-Economic Development Financial Ast. Program		\$100,000				\$100,000	
ISED Microenterprise Development		\$50,000	\$25,000			\$25,000	
Homeless - Emergency Shelter & Support Services							
Catholic Charities-St. Joseph Emergency Family Shelter				\$27,000		\$27,000	
Central Iowa Shelter-Community Kitchen		\$45,000	\$22,500			\$22,500	
Central Iowa Shelter - Emergency Homeless Shelter				\$50,000		\$50,000	
Central Iowa Shelter - Transit Shuttle Service		\$20,000	\$10,000			\$10,000	
CFI - Family Violence Center				\$30,000		\$30,000	
HMH - New Directions Shelter		\$40,000	\$20,000			\$20,000	
IHYC - Reggie's Place - (\$50,000 - Rent - one time)		\$70,000	\$10,000			\$10,000	
PHC - Clinic Operations Support		\$22,000	\$11,000			\$11,000	
Homeless-Transitional Housing & Support Services							
Beacon - Transitional Housing & Support Services				\$35,000		\$35,000	
CFI - Compass Project		\$20,000	\$10,000			\$10,000	
Criminal Justice - Hansen House		\$15,000	\$0			\$0	
Home Connection - Transitional Housing Program		\$24,786	\$12,393			\$11,853	\$23,353
IHYC - Transitional Living/St. Outreach				\$24,000		\$24,000	\$24,000
MECCA - Transitional Housing		\$21,000	\$10,500			\$10,500	\$10,500
YWCA - Operating Costs		\$0	\$0			\$0	\$0

AVENUE NAME	OPEN	HOME	HOME	HOME	TOTAL	COMMENTS
Infrastructure - Street Improvements						
PW - NH Infrastructure Rehabilitation Program NIRP	\$290,146				\$290,146	
Neighborhood Capacity Building						
Rebuilding Together - Neigh. Resource Office	\$55,000		\$27,500		\$27,500	
CDD-Polk County Housing Continuum	\$50,000		\$25,000		\$0	
HSG/Residential Redevelopment						
NCS-Housing Opportunities - HOME		\$974,237			\$974,237	
NCS-Housing Opportunities -CDBG	\$1,050,000				\$1,146,562	
NDD - Drake Neighborhood Historic Survey	\$15,000				\$0	
Eng - Demolition	\$89,000				\$196,000	
Public Service - Homebuyer Education Program						
CCI - Home Ownership Project	\$50,000		\$25,000		\$25,000	
NFC - Homebuyer Education	\$50,000		\$25,000		\$25,000	
NFC - Tool Lending Library	\$0				\$0	
Public Service - Community Services						
CS - Site Office Service Delivery System	\$225,000				\$325,000	
Public Service - SCRUB*						
PW - SCRUB	\$135,000				\$135,000	
Public Service - Transportation						
DART - Opportunities Thru Transit/Wages	\$20,000		\$10,000		\$10,000	
Totals:	\$3,621,116	\$974,237	\$177,853	\$177,853	\$5,078,982	
Projected Totals:						