

Date March 23, 2015

**APPROVAL OF A CDBG PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH ANAWIM
FOR REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN THE 6TH AVENUE CORRIDOR AREA**

WHEREAS, the blighted and/or vacant structures from Franklin Avenue to Forest Avenue along 6th Avenue, locally known as 1605, 1609, 1619 and 1623 6th Avenue (City Hall – Grocery), 1511, 1517 and 1521 6th Avenue (Hansen House), and 1710 and 1714 6th Avenue (Urban Dreams) (herein collectively “Properties”), have been determined to pose an impediment to the redevelopment of the 6th Avenue Corridor; and

WHEREAS, the redevelopment of one or more of the Properties was identified as a top priority in the planning process for the 6th Avenue Corridor, and by the Neighborhood Development Division of the City’s Community Development Department; and

WHEREAS, Anawim (d/b/a Anawim Housing) proposes to redevelop one or more of the Properties, following acquisition and demolition of the existing structure(s), and to either complete the redevelopment project itself or, with City staff, select a suitable for-profit or non-profit developer to purchase the property from Anawim, subject to affordability covenants and with purchase proceeds returned to the City as project income, for development of future affordable multi-family housing projects on the applicable Properties; and

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines has allocated \$318,000 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for fiscal year 2014 for Neighborhood Revitalization Plan Implementation; and

WHEREAS, the City proposes to utilize \$150,000 of such CDBG funding to assist Anawim in the above-described project for redevelopment of the blighted property and for low-rent housing purposes, pursuant to the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan; and

WHEREAS, Anawim’s proposed project for redevelopment of one or more of the Properties is set forth in a CDBG Project Agreement between the City and Anawim, on file in the office of the City Clerk, and, due to the nature and amount of such Agreement, the Agreement is being presented to City Council for consideration and approval.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the CDBG Project Agreement between the City of Des Moines and Anawim for redevelopment of one or more of the properties locally known as 1605, 1609, 1619 and 1623 6th Avenue (City Hall – Grocery), 1511, 1517 and 1521 6th Avenue (Hansen House), and 1710 and 1714 6th Avenue (Urban Dreams), as on file in the office of the City Clerk, is hereby approved; the City Manager is authorized and directed to execute said Agreement on behalf of the City; and the Community Development Director and his designee(s) are authorized and directed to administer said Agreement pursuant to its terms.

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(Council Comm. No. 15.132)

MOVED by _____ to adopt.

FORM APPROVED:

Glenna K. Frank
Glenna K. Frank, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
GATTO				
GRAY				
HENSLEY				
MAHAFFEY				
MOORE				
TOTAL				

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

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