

★ Roll Call Number
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Agenda Item Number
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Date June 22, 2009

APPROVING \$50,000 GRANT AWARD FROM THE POLK COUNTY HOUSING TRUST FUND (PCHTF) TO BE USED AS GAP FUNDING WITHIN THE JUMPSTART HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, there is a continued need in the City of Des Moines for home repairs due to the heavy rains and flooding in 2008; and

WHEREAS, since October 2008, the City of Des Moines Community Development Department—NCS Division has been administering the Jumpstart Housing Assistance Program with Federal Community Development Block Grant and State of Iowa funds; and

WHEREAS, due to the restrictions of the State and Federal funding sources being used for the Jumpstart Housing Assistance programs, there is sometimes a funding gap, typically ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 that is needed in order to fund the project; and

WHEREAS, funding regulations require that in order to receive Jumpstart home repair/rehabilitation assistance, a homeowner must document how all of the funds received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) were spent; however, due to the length of time that has elapsed, the use of cash for expenses, the purchase of non-FEMA approved items and other circumstances, some homeowners are unable to document where all of their FEMA funds were spent; and

WHEREAS, a Letter of Application for funding from Polk County Housing Trust Fund was submitted (authorized for submittal by Roll Call 09-859 on May 18, 2009) to allow the City of Des Moines to assist more homeowners to repair their homes through the Jumpstart Program, by providing private gap funding; and

WHEREAS, the Polk County Housing Trust Fund has approved that request in the amount of \$50,000, and has forwarded a grant agreement for approval by the City of Des Moines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the Grant Agreement, on file in the office of the City Clerk, be approved and that the Director of Community Development be authorized to sign and oversee the execution of aforementioned Grant Agreement, and to administer and undertake the Program as funded by the Grant Agreement.

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(Council Communication No. 09-429)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Moved by Vlassis to approve.

Glenna K. Frank
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Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
HENSLEY	✓			
KIERNAN	✓			
MAHAFFEY	✓			
MEYER	✓			
VLASSIS	✓			
TOTAL	7			

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

T. M. Franklin 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.

Diane Rauh City Clerk