



Roll Call Number

15-0871

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Date May 18, 2015

**APPROVING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DES MOINES AND
THE RED ROCK AREA COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM, INC. FOR
ASSUMPTION AS COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY SERVING THE
DES MOINES AREA**

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines Community Action Agency provides direct services to low-income qualified families in the City of Des Moines through federal Community Service Block Grant (CSBG), Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP); and

WHEREAS, Red Rock Area Community Action Program, Inc. ("Red Rock") provides community action agency programs to a large geographical area surrounding the City of Des Moines, including all other areas of Polk County Boone, Jasper, Marion and Warren Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Des Moines City Council on October 6, 2014, by Roll Call No. 14-1601 authorized the City Manager to enter into formal discussions to evaluate the provision of Community Action Agency Programs in the City of Des Moines by Red Rock; and

WHEREAS, the Des Moines City Council on January 26, 2015, by Roll Call No. 15-0145 authorized the City Manager and Legal Department to negotiate an agreement with Red Rock in anticipation of Red Rock assuming Community Action Agency programs and services in Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, due to the reduction in Federal funding administered through the State of Iowa Division of Community Action Agencies, potential efficiencies through consolidated provision of services, service delivery to low-income families at a regional level and the ability of Red Rock, a non-profit corporation, to privately fund-raise additional support dollars the provision of community action agency services in the City of Des Moines by Red Rock will be beneficial to the citizens of Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, Red Rock has the expertise and the programmatic and fiscal capacity to serve as the community action agency for the Des Moines area; and

WHEREAS, an agreement for Red Rock to assume the obligations as Community Action Agency serving the Des Moines area ("Assumption Agreement") has been prepared which Assumption Agreement incorporates the Guiding Principles set forth in Roll Calls 14-1601 and 15-0145; and



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WHEREAS, the pursuant to the Assumption Agreement the City and Red Rock shall work cooperatively and perform all necessary tasks prior to the October 1, 2015 Assumption Date in a coordinated manner to ensure a seamless transition to the assumption by Red Rock as the community action agency serving the Des Moines area with no interruption to the provision of services; and

WHEREAS, the Red Rock approved the Assumption Agreement on April 23, 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Des Moines City Council that the Assumption Agreement titled the "Agreement between the City of Des Moines, Iowa and Red Rock Area Community Action Program, Inc. for Assumption as Community Action Agency Serving the City of Des Moines Area" is hereby approved and the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement on behalf of the City and the City Clerk is directed to attest to his signature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in accordance with the terms of the Assumption Agreement the City of Des Moines will cease as community action agency serving the geographic area of the City September 30, 2015 and community action agency staff is directed to perform and administer the agency obligations of the City through such date and to jointly prepare with Red Rock staff the State of Iowa grant applications on behalf of Red Rock for the State 2015-2016 grant funding fiscal year and to jointly submit with Red Rock such other private source funding agreements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager or his designee is authorized and directed to perform and administer such other obligations of the City contemplated in the Assumption Agreement and as otherwise necessary for the City to cease as community action agency including the termination or assignment of agreements and leases and the submission of remaining and final reports and products required under existing funding agreements.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager or his designee is directed to administer all terms of the Assumption Agreement on behalf of the City on and after the October 1, 2015 Assumption Date.

(Council Communication No. 15- 269)

Moved by Hensley to adopt. City Manager to submit reports to Council every 60 days for the first year of transition.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Lawrence R. McDowell
Deputy City Attorney

| COUNCIL ACTION | YEAS | NAYS | PASS | ABSENT |
|----------------|------|------|------|--------|
| COWNIE | ✓ | | | |
| COLEMAN | ✓ | | | |
| GRAY | | ✓ | | |
| HENSLEY | ✓ | | | |
| MAHAFFEY | ✓ | | | |
| GATTO | | ✓ | | |
| MOORE | | ✓ | | |
| TOTAL | 4 | 3 | | |

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.

T. M. Franklin
Mayor

Diane Rauh
City Clerk