



Roll Call Number

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Date September 11, 2023

**APPROVAL OF THE 2023 CONTINUUM OF CARE (COC) GRANT PROGRAM
COMPETITIVE APPLICATION, INCLUDING NONCOMPETITIVE AWARD OF YOUTH
HOMELESS DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT
GRANTS, TO THE US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
(HUD)**

WHEREAS, each year, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) releases a notification of funding for the Continuum of Care Program which provides funding for efforts by community partners to quickly re-house homeless persons, minimize trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness, to promote access to programs, and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Continuum of Care (CoC) grant was published in the Federal Register on or about July 5, 2023 and applications for funding are due September 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Homeward, formerly known as the Polk County Continuum of Care, is preparing an application for \$5,476,956 to be submitted to HUD for funds approval; and

WHEREAS, of the requested amount, \$4,319,306 is primarily for established programs renewing their funding allocation; \$918,827 is funding allocated by the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project; and \$238,823 is for a CoC Planning Grant; and

WHEREAS, each year, Homeward, in partnership with the City, facilitates a local competitive grant review process where service providers working with homeless or persons at risk of homelessness submit proposals for funding renewal or new programs; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on August 21, 2023, the Homeward Board received and recommended approval of Homeward's Grant Committee's recommendations for the 2023 CoC grant application; and

WHEREAS, the application is based upon Homeward's and the City's strategy to address homelessness in Polk County, whereby CoC funds would provide needed services to homeless persons in Des Moines and throughout Polk County and address high priority service gaps within the parameters of the priorities and procedures recommended by the Homeward Board.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the above referenced CoC program application and certifications thereto are hereby approved and ratified, and the City Manager or his designee is hereby directed to execute any necessary documents and submit the application to HUD.



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(Council Communication No. 23-421)

Moved by Gatto to adopt.

Second by Boesen

FORM APPROVED:

/s/ Gary D. Goudelock Jr.

Gary D. Goudelock Jr.
Assistant City Attorney

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CERTIFICATE

I, LAURA BAUMGARTNER, 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.

J. M. Franklin Cownie Mayor

Laura Baumgartner City Clerk