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SUBJECT—

Program Year 2005 Notices of Funding Availability (NOFA) for HUD Consolidated Plan

SYNOPSIS—

City Council approval of the Program Year (PY) 2005 Notices of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the First Year Action Plan of the 2005-2009 HUD Consolidated Plan submitted by the Neighborhood Revitalization Board (NRB); and authorization to issue NOFAs for projects to address the goals and objectives identified in the plan.

FISCAL IMPACT—

PY2005 HUD block grant entitlement funds available for the three programs included in the Consolidated Plan are awarded annually and are estimated to be: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - \$5,000,000; Home Investment Partnership Act (HOME) - \$1,100,000; and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) - \$178,000.

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval

BACKGROUND—

The HUD Consolidated Plan includes a five-year strategy/one year action plan that incorporates public input and identifies community housing needs. The one-year action plan is in support of the long-term goals and objectives of the Consolidated Plan's Five-Year strategy.

On May 17, 2004, the City Council approved the goals and objectives for the 2005-2009 HUD Consolidated Plan to meet the community and housing needs of low and moderate-income persons residing in Des Moines.

On May 19, 2004, the NRB recommended approval of the PY2005 NOFAs for the first Year Action Plan of the HUD Consolidated Plan. The process for developing these recommendations include a Needs Assessment, Housing Market Analysis, Citizen Input, Strategic Planning and goal setting. PY2005 will be the First-Year Action Plan of the 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan strategy. The needs assessment, market analysis, strategies and goals remain relatively the same throughout the five-year plan.

The FY2005 NOFAs for the first-Year Action Plan (2005) of the 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan are attached to the roll call. Upon City Council approval, NOFAs will be forwarded to City departments, public agencies and non-profit organizations. Agencies will have until July 8, 2004 to apply for funding.

The NRB will review proposals and hear agency presentations on September 7-9, 2004 and will finalize their recommendation to City Council on September 11, 2004.

The NRB funding recommendations will be forwarded to the City Council on September 15, 2004; and the Council, after a 30-day public review period, will adopt the 2005 Action Plan at a public hearing on 8, 2004. The Plan will then be forwarded to HUD 45 days before the start of the City's program year on January 1, 2005.

The NRB has done an excellent job of developing the Consolidated Plan Five-Year strategy and One-Year Action Plan. Their efforts have produced a workable plan that emphasizes high-priority affordable housing needs, maximizes the impact of limited funds, and increases the City's capacity for effective oversight and monitoring through coordination and streamlining of the overall plan.