



Date June 28, 2021

**APPROVAL OF AMENDED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AGREEMENT WITH YOUTH AND SHELTER SERVICES (YSS), DOING BUSINESS AS IOWA HOMELESS YOUTH CENTERS (IHYC), FOR DEVELOPMENT OF 2705 E. EUCLID AVENUE**

**WHEREAS**, on November 3, 2014, by Roll Call No. 14-1730, the City Council approved the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Consolidated Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, components of the City's 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan are 1.) address homelessness, and 2.) neighborhood plan implementation, which is designed to provide funding to implement activities to further neighborhood revitalization efforts including the use of CDBG funding for acquisition of properties; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of CDBG funds by a nonprofit entity for infrastructure development—including street, water, parking, or other improvements to commercial sites—is an eligible activity when the activity meets a national objective of the CDBG Program by benefitting low- or moderate-income clientele, such as persons who are homeless; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed IHYC Rooftop Gardens at 2705 E. Euclid Avenue will provide soft-skills support and workforce training to help homeless youth between the ages of 16 and 24 years old secure permanent employment; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 18, 2020, by Roll Call No. 20-0827, Council approved \$150,000 of CDBG funds which allowed YSS, an Iowa non-profit corporation doing business as IHYC, to acquire 2705 E. Euclid Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, IHYC's Rooftop Gardens development budget has increased from the initial development budget estimate submitted to the City in early 2020, and as a result, IHYC has requested additional CDBG funds to assist with infrastructure costs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa that:

1. The CDBG Agreement between the City of Des Moines and IHYC, in form on file in the office of the City Clerk, providing \$150,000 for acquisition of 2705 E. Euclid Avenue, is hereby amended to include an additional \$100,000 for infrastructure development;
2. The Neighborhood Services Department Director is authorized and directed to sign said amendment and related documents, and the Neighborhood Services Department staff is directed to record said Agreement and all related documents as applicable.



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- 3. The Neighborhood Services Director and his assignees are authorized and directed to administer the CDBG Agreement and related documents in accordance with the terms therein; to approve and execute minor amendments thereto; and to present substantive amendments to the City Council for consideration and approval.

(Council Communication No. 21- 287)

MOVED BY \_\_\_\_\_ TO ADOPT

FORM APPROVED:

Judy K Parks-Kruse  
 Judy K. Parks-Kruse, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
BOESEN				
GATTO				
GRAY				
MANDELBAUM				
VOSS				
WESTERGAARD				
TOTAL				
MOTION CARRIED			APPROVED	
_____ Mayor				

**CERTIFICATE**

I, P. Kay Cmelik, 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