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Date October 18, 2021

**APPROVE AND EXECUTE 2021 HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM
SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING, AS AUTHORIZED UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN
(HOME-ARP), GRANT AGREEMENT WITH US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT (HUD)**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 was signed as Public Law 117-2, which provides emergency grants, lending, and investment to areas affected by the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2021, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) notified the City of Des Moines that it will receive \$3,556,317 in HOME-ARP funds in addition to the FY 2021 HOME allocation; and

WHEREAS, up to 15 percent, or \$553,447.55, of the allocation may be used for administrative and planning costs of the City, and up to 5 percent, or \$177,815.85, of the allocation may be used for operating costs of other non-profit organizations, including homeless providers; and

WHEREAS, the remaining 80 percent, or \$2,845,053.60, must be used for four eligible activities that must primarily benefit qualifying individuals and families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or in other vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, HOME-ARP funds can be used for four eligible activities including the production or preservation of affordable housing; tenant-based rental assistance; supportive services, including homeless prevention services and housing counseling; and the purchase or development of non-congregate shelter for individuals and families experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, HOME-ARP funds must be used for individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness; are at risk of homelessness; are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; are a part of other populations where aid would prevent homelessness; and veterans and families that include a veteran family member who meet one of the previous criteria; and

WHEREAS, once HUD receives a signed HOME-ARP grant agreement, the City may incur and expend up to 5 percent of its HOME-ARP allocation on eligible administrative and planning costs, including consultation and public participation processes to develop its HOME-ARP allocation plan; and

WHEREAS, to receive its full HOME-ARP funds, the City must develop and submit a HOME-ARP allocation plan and submit it to HUD as a substantial amendment to the 2021 Annual Action Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, as follows:

1. That the above referenced Grant Agreement by and between HUD and the City of Des Moines, whereby the City will receive HOME-ARP funds totaling \$3,556,317, is hereby approved.

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- 2. That the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the above referenced Grant Agreement.
- 3. The City of Des Moines affirms that the HOME-ARP funds will only be used for purposes prescribed by HUD and are subject to HOME regulations set forth in 24 Code of Federal Regulations part 92.

(Council Comm. No. 21-446)

MOVED BY Boeson TO ADOPT

FORM APPROVED:

Judy K. Parks-Kruse
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 Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT	CERTIFICATE
COWNIE	✓				
BOESEN	✓				
GATTO	✓				
GRAY	✓				
MANDELBAUM	✓				
VOSS	✓				
WESTERGAARD	✓				
TOTAL	7				
MOTION CARRIED					APPROVED

J. M. Franklin Cownie
 Mayor

P. Kay Cmelik
 City Clerk