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**Date** May 22, 2023

**APPROVING GRANT FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH REBUILDING TOGETHER  
GREATER DES MOINES, INC. D/B/A REBUILDING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT  
HOMEOWNERS USING THE ION HOMEOWNER RENOVATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, Congress enacted the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”) to provide relief to combat the continued impact of COVID-19 on the economy, public health, state and local governments, individuals, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the City has received ARPA funding from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and the City desires to aid nonprofit organizations to address the disparate inequities that impacted the Des Moines community; and

WHEREAS, Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines, Inc. d/b/a Rebuilding Together (“Grantee”) is working with Improving Our Neighborhoods (“ION”) to serve homeowners that are utilizing the ION Homeowner Renovation Program, a City-funded home and property repair assistance program serving income-qualifying homeowners in accordance with a Memorandum of Understanding between Grantee and ION, and

WHEREAS, the Project will serve the public purposes of strengthening and revitalizing neighborhoods, keeping Des Moines residents in their homes, and preventing Des Moines homes from deteriorating beyond repair; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter in to a Grant Agreement (“Agreement”) to provide a financial grant in the amount of \$100,000 in support of the Project; and

WHEREAS, due to the Agreement, said ARPA funds will be allocated for the provision of government services within the general fund.

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

1. The Grant Agreement between the City and Grantee for the Project for a grant not to exceed \$100,000 is hereby approved and, subject to the Legal Department’s approval of the Agreement as to form, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign said Agreement, and the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest to the Mayor’s signature.



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MOVED by Gatto to adopt. Second by Boesen.

FORM APPROVED:

/s/ Lisa A. Wieland
Lisa A. Wieland
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.

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED
J. M. Franklin Cownie Mayor

Laura Baumgartner City Clerk