

# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

**From:** The City Manager

**Subject:** Michigan State Housing Development Authority Home Grant Agreement (MSHDA)

**Manager's Recommendation:**

I recommend approval of the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA") Home Grant Agreement. MSHDA requires the highest elected official of the City to sign the agreement. Therefore, it is recommended that City Council authorize the Mayor to sign the Grant Agreement on behalf of the City. In addition, the grant requires the City to execute an Authorized Signature Designation Form which designates a staff member(s) to sign and submit grant related reports and forms. It is recommended that City Council designate John Falls and Kanah Franklin to sign and submit grant related reports and forms on behalf of the City.

**Justification:**

Recently, the City was notified by MSHDA that it was approved to receive a Home Grant in the amount of \$330,000.00. Pursuant to the terms of the grant, the City must enter into an Agreement with MSHDA. Moreover, per the terms of the Agreement, the grant monies are to be utilized in the Cathedral District for homeowner rehabilitation assistance. Also, the City must indemnify, defend and hold harmless MSHDA, the State of Michigan, their officers, agents and employees from any claims and losses in connection with negligent performance of the Agreement. The amount of the Agreement is \$330,000.00 and the term is for two years.

**Council Action:**

Council \_\_\_\_\_ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.