

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program Subgrantee Funding Agreement

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend approval of the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) Subgrantee Funding Agreement (Agreement) with the United Way of Saginaw County (United Way). The term of the Agreement is two years. In addition, the amount of the Agreement is \$1,022,177.00. The Agreement has been approved by me as to substance and the City Attorney as to form. A resolution to approve the Agreement appears under the regular order of business.

Justification:

Recently, the Department of Development applied for funding under the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) sponsored by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This program is intended to assist the chronically homeless with housing needs and various support services. The program is funded pursuant to the American Recovery Re-Investment Act. The request was for \$1,022,177.00.

The City was recently notified by (HUD) that it would receive funds for the HPRP Program. Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, the City can enter into a Subgrantee Agreement with a local nonprofit agency to carry out HPRP activities. The City has determined that the United Way is the best agency to carry out the HPRP activities using a consortium of providers that currently service the homeless community. HPRP activities include providing financial assistance, rental assistance, payment for security and utility deposits, moving expenses, motel and hotel vouchers and housing relocation and stabilization services. United Way will work with local homeless shelters to provide the services to City residents that are homeless or about to become homeless.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.