



DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Grants Management Division

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TO: Bruce K. Walden, Chief Administrative Office

FROM: Elizabeth H. Tyler, AICP, City Planner/Director

DATE: September 8, 2004

SUBJECT: **Neighborhood Organization Grant (NOG) Agreements For FY2004-2005**

Description

On the agenda for the September 13, 2004 meeting of the Urbana City Council Committee of the Whole Agreements are ordinances approving the 2004-2005 Neighborhood Organization Grant (NOG) projects.

Issues

The issue is whether the Urbana City Council should approve the Ordinance that would authorize the Agreement.

Background

On May 3 2004, the Urbana City Council passed Resolution No. 2004-04-006R approving the City of Urbana and Urbana HOME Consortium Annual Action Plan (AAP) FY 2004-2005. Funding and project descriptions for the Neighborhood Organization Grants are included in the AAP.

It is worth noting that the Historic East Urbana Neighborhood Organization NOG Agreement is the only Agreement funded with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds. This Agreement contains the standard NOG Agreement terms and conditions that reflect the requirements of the CDBG Program.

The other Agreements for United Citizens and Neighbors, Ecological Construction Laboratory and Eads Street Development Corporation are funded with Neighborhood Improvement Funds and Community Development Sink Funds. These Agreements do not contain the terms and conditions associated with the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Note that Attachment C of the Agreements contains the scope of work associated with each project.

Also included for reference is a copy of the Neighborhood Organization Grant Program Guidelines.

The City of Urbana Community Development Commission reviewed, provided editing suggestions and recommended approval of the Neighborhood Organization Grant Agreements.

Options

1. The Urbana City Council can approve the Ordinance and Agreement as written.
2. The Urbana City Council can approve the Ordinance and Agreement, with amendments.
3. The Urbana City Council can decide not to approve the Ordinance and Agreement.

Fiscal Impacts

Funding for the Neighborhood Organization Grant Programs is identified in the FY2004-2005 Annual Action Plan.

Failure to forward agreements to City Council within a reasonable period of time can delay projects and impact the timely expenditure of funds.

Recommendations

Staff recommends that Urbana City Council approve ordinances that approve the Neighborhood Organization Grant Agreements.

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Attachments:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CITY OF URBANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT
(HISTORIC EAST URBANA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (HEUNA)
PROJECT NO. 04-05_01)
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CITY OF URBANA NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION
GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT

(UNITED CITIZENS AND NEIGHBORS (UCAN)
PROJECT NO. 04-05_02)

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CITY OF URBANA NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION
GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT
(ECOLOGICAL CONSTRUCTION LABORATORY)
PROJECT NO. 04-05_03)

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CITY OF URBANA NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION
GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT
(EADS STREET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION)
PROJECT NO. 04-05_04)

HISTORIC EAST URBANA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (HEUNA)
PROJECT NO. 04-05_01
CITY OF URBANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

UNITED CITIZENS AND NEIGHBORS (UCAN)
PROJECT NO. 04-05_02
CITY OF URBANA NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION GRANT PROGRAM

Ecological Construction Laboratory
PROJECT NO. 04-05_03
CITY OF URBANA NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION GRANT PROGRAM

Eads Street Development Corporation
PROJECT NO. 04-05_04
CITY OF URBANA NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION GRANT PROGRAM

City of Urbana Guidelines for Neighborhood Organization Grant Program