

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: **CERTIFICATE OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE CITY'S 2014-2018
CDBG CONSOLIDATED PLAN ON BEHALF OF YOUTH AND
SHELTER SERVICES (YSS), INC.**

BACKGROUND:

Since 1995, Youth and Shelter Services (YSS) has received grant funds through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's (HUD) Rapid Rehousing Program. Under this program, YSS administers its Central Iowa Youth Rapid Rehousing Programs in Story, Boone, and Greene Counties.

The YSS renewal funding application request is for approximately \$188,197 of which approximately \$169,377 is designated for Ames/Story County. YSS is in the process of preparing its 2020-21 Program renewal application that will be submitted as part of the State of Iowa's Balance of State Continuum of Care Application on or by September 25, 2019.

Since Ames is a designated CDBG entitlement community, agencies requesting funding from HUD must have approval from the City that their program application matches the goals of the City's Consolidated Plan. Therefore, in order for YSS to submit its application to the State of Iowa, it must receive a certification (see attachment) from the City of Ames that their application is consistent with the goals outlined in the most current City's Consolidated Plan.

City staff's review of YSS's program application finds that it is consistent with the goals outlined in the City's current CDBG 2014-2018 Consolidated Plan.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. The City Council can authorize the Mayor to sign the Certificate of Consistency on behalf of YSS.
2. The City Council can deny the request.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff has determined that the YSS program application is consistent with the goals outlined in the City's current CDBG 2014-2018 Consolidated Plan.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative #1 which will authorize the Mayor to sign the Certificate of Consistency on behalf of YSS to submit an application for Supportive Housing Program funding to the Iowa Finance Authority.

Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development

I certify that the proposed activities/projects in the application are consistent with the jurisdiction's current, approved Consolidated Plan.
(Type or clearly print the following information:)

Applicant Name: Youth and Shelter Services, Inc.

Project Name: YSS Central Iowa Youth Rapid Rehousing

Location of the Project: Story County; Boone County; Greene County

Name of the Federal Program to which the applicant is applying: HUD Continuum of Care Program

Name of Certifying Jurisdiction: City of Ames

Certifying Official of the Jurisdiction Name: John A. Haila

Title: Mayor

Signature: _____

Date: _____