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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	6905	Agenda Number	27.
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Meeting Date:	5/26/2011	Department:	Neighborhood and Community Development
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Subject

Approve a resolution authorizing the application for grant funding of up to \$2,000,000 from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control for the Healthy Homes Production Program.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control. There is a required match of 10 percent (\$200,000) which will be met by funds received in the Architecture Barrier Removal Program and in-kind services.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Elizabeth A. Spencer, Director, 974-3182.
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

Approval of this action will authorize the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development (NHCD) Office to apply for \$2 million in grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control for the Healthy Homes Production Program.

The \$200,000 match will be comprised of funding available in the Architecture Barrier Removal Program and in-kind services.

The Healthy Homes Production Program (HHP) is part of HUD's overall Healthy Homes Initiative launched in 1999. The program takes a comprehensive approach to addressing multiple childhood diseases and injuries in the home by focusing on housing-related hazards in a coordinated fashion, rather than addressing a single hazard at a time. The program builds upon HUD's Lead Hazard Control programs to address a variety of high-priority environmental health and safety hazards.

Authorization to apply for a Fiscal Year 2011 grant award will benefit vulnerable residents (children, persons with

disabilities, and elderly) who may suffer from housing-related environmental health and safety hazards, and will promote housing that is healthy, safe, affordable, and accessible. Health hazards include lead exposure sources for children which can result in elevated lead blood levels, non-working smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors, mold, dust mites and pest infestations. The grant application deadline is June 9, 2011.