RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS GRANT, FISCAL YEAR 2008

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven

RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua

That the Mayor be, and hereby is, authorized to file an application with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the annual Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") and annual HOME Investment Partnerships grant under the provisions of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and to execute all understandings, assurances and agreements as required therein;

That the following CDBG activities shall be carried out with the annual grant of $756,671 estimated program revenue of $56,000, and reprogrammed funds in the amount of $125,936.84 as described herein for a total of $938,607.84:

1. Housing Improvement Program- $150,000
   Deferred payment loans, secured by mortgages, to lower-income owner-occupants to make essential repairs, in targeted inner-city neighborhoods; purchase and/or demolition of blighting, overcrowded, or substandard buildings in the inner-city; and purchase of buildings made available on special terms to local governments under programs of the Federal government.

2. Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Nashua- $50,000
   Support of housing services and operations of Neighborhood Housing Services, including operation of the “Campaign for Home Ownership.”

3. Adult Learning Center- $45,000
   Major renovations to address energy and safety issues, including replacement of heating system, and door and window replacement; structural improvements to gymnasium; remediation of water damage; upgrade of electrical system, kitchen and classroom improvements; installation of air conditioning. The City further agrees to grant the Adult Learning Center $45,000 in fiscal year 2009, subject to receipt by the City of CDBG funds in
the amount of at least $400,000 in each of these years. If the amount received by the City is less than $400,000, the City may reduce the grants or may withdraw the offer by further resolution of the Board of Aldermen.

4. PLUS Co. - $10,000
$10,000 to improve the handicapped accessibility of their main office at 240 Main Dunstable Road. Additionally, they wish to replace worn carpeting and flooring which represents a tripping hazard for handicapped and wheelchair clients. They also proposed to rehab a current shower room to accommodate a changing table and sink for handicapped clients in need of personal care.

5. Southern New Hampshire Services. - $20,000
To clean up a segment of the downtown Riverwalk, a critical component of the Downtown Nashua revitalization efforts. The organization is partnering with the City of Nashua, the Stabile Company to construct the Cotton Mill Square, a development of 162 units of housing, 20% of which will be allocated to workforce housing and a mixed use office building. This walkway will tie into the city’s proposed improvements to the Cotton Transfer Bridge which will be rehabilitated to accommodate public and handicapped access to the river. The City further agrees to grant the Southern NH Services $20,000 in fiscal year 2009, subject to receipt by the City of CDBG funds in the amount of at least $400,000 in that program year. If the amount received by the City is less than $400,000, the City may reduce the grants or may withdraw the offer by further resolution of the Board of Aldermen.

6. Neighborhood Crime Watch - $14,000
Support of crime watch and neighborhood revitalization activities in the Tree and Ledge Street areas of Ward 4 and the French Hill Crime Watch group of Ward 3. This program is to be developed and implemented with jointly by The City of Nashua’s Livable Walkable Community Committee and the citizens of these neighborhoods, with the objective of promoting neighborhood safety and reduction of code violations. $7,000 ($3,500 for Tree Street Crime Watch, $3,500 for French Hill Crime Watch) of these funds will cover eligible administrative expenses, such as advertising and printing, and $7,000 ($3,500 for Tree Street Crime Watch and $3,500 for French Hill Crime Watch) of these funds will cover eligible program delivery expenses, such as removal of graffiti and installation of signage.

7. Human Service Program Support-$113,500
Support of human service programs principally benefiting lower-income persons of Nashua.

   (1). Greater Nashua Council on Alcoholism - $25,000
   Outpatient substance abuse counseling.

   (2). Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter - $50,500
   Emergency shelter and transitional housing services for persons who are homeless due to eviction, fire, or other crisis.

   (3). Neighborhood Health Center for Greater Nashua - $38,000
   Provision of pre-natal medical and educational services and reproductive health services to lower-income Nashua residents.
8. Rehabilitation Programs Operation- $104,000  
Operation by the Urban Programs Department of the Housing Improvement Program, Lead Paint Abatement Programs, and other programs related to affordable housing and preservation of older housing and neighborhoods.

9. Grant Programs Operation and Administration- $135,200  
Preparation of bid documents, bidding, construction administration, preparation of required grant reports, and general administration for the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Program, Housing Development Grants, and other related projects of the Urban Programs Department.

10. Hunt Memorial Building - $50,000  
Repairs related to remediation of water infiltration and air quality issues at 6 Main Street.

11. Harbor Homes - $30,000  
Installation of a Fire Sprinkler system at the administrative offices at 45 High Street. This location houses the administrative offices, record repository, Connections Peer Support program, Healthy at Home Inc. and Training Institute. Such a system will allow increased facility capacity and service delivery to individuals with disabilities. The City further agrees to grant the Harbor Homes $35,000 in fiscal year 2009, subject to receipt by the City of CDBG funds in the amount of at least $400,000 in that program year. If the amount received by the City is less than $400,000, the City may reduce the grants or may withdraw the offer by further resolution of the Board of Aldermen.

14. Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter - $5,500  
New windows at 42 Chestnut Street. This grant will replace all old inefficient windows with Replacement energy efficient windows.

15. Nashua Youth Council - $45,000  
Major renovations, structural repairs and construction of a new handicapped accessible entrance at 112 West Pearl Street. The City further agrees to grant the Youth Council $45,000 in fiscal year 2009, subject to receipt by the City of CDBG funds in the amount of at least $400,000 in each of these years. If the amount received by the City is less than $400,000, the City may reduce the grants or may withdraw the offer by further resolution of the Board of Aldermen.

16. VISTA Assisted Neighborhood Revitalization - $10,000  
Funding of 1 VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) worker who would be dedicated to the Tree Street Neighborhoods.

17. New Hampshire Legal Assistance - $3,000  
Operation of Fair Housing Education Program in Nashua.

18. City of Nashua, Parks and Recreation Department - $50,000  
For the professional installation of field lighting at the North Common/Artillery Lane Babe Ruth baseball field, with computer assisted Control Link System. The project would be similar to the one completed at the Ledge St. Babe Ruth field. Also the installation of permanent dugouts, with roofs would be completed.
19. Great America Downtown - $50,000
   Installation of wrought iron gateways at two downtown side streets. The goal is to distinctly
   mark the entrances to the side streets to create a sense of arrival and neighborhood pride. The
   gateways would create an appealing visual connection and transition between Main Street
   and the side streets and bring renewed life and interest to the side streets.

20. Friendship Club - $17,000
   Complete overhaul of the heating system located at 35 Orchard Street, Nashua, NH 03060.
   This includes removal and replacement of the existing boiler, existing piping and baseboard
   heat, re-wiring the system and installation of new zones for heating purposes.

   The City further agrees to grant The Friendship Club $15,000 in fiscal year 2009, subject to
   receipt by the City of CDBG funds in the amount of at least $400,000 in that program year. If
   the amount received by the City is less than $400,000, the City may reduce the grants or
   may withdraw the offer by further resolution of the Board of Aldermen.

21. City of Nashua, Community Development Division, 14 Court Street Renovation - $5,000
   Analysis of existing conditions, code deficiencies, and improvements necessary to allow for
   the full use of the city-owned 14 Court Street facility as a performing arts center and for
   other arts, cultural and civic issues.

22. Micro-Credit NH – NH Community Loan Fund - $12,500
   The continued operation of their MicroCredit program that includes the provision of business
   skills training, access to micro-loan capital, and widening of Market opportunities for micro-
   enterprises in Nashua.

23. Contingency - $18,907.84
   May be applied to any of the activities described herein upon the vote of the Human Affairs
   Committee of the Board of Aldermen.

THAT the following funds totaling $125,936.84 be reprogrammed to the above-described
activities:

REPROGRAM:
   ACCOUNT   PROJECT           AMOUNT
   374-07030-0-7220-7106   FY 2006 HIP Single Family    $49,695.00
   374-07040-0-7220-7106   FY 2006 HIP Multi-Family   $28,778.60
   374-07990-0-7224-7106   FY 2006 Contingency       $47,463.24

   $125,936.84

AND THAT the following HOME activities be carried out with the annual grant of $517,633:

1. Community Housing Development Organization Reserve - $77,644
   15% of total appropriation to be set aside for a project to be determined (TBD) by a
   certified CHDO organization.

2. Community Housing Development Organization – Program Administration - $25,881
   Operating expenses associated with the creation and preservation of affordable housing
   units by Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Nashua, Inc.
3. **Affordable Family Rental Housing - $362,345**
   Acquisition and/or rehabilitation of existing housing, and/or conversion of non-residential buildings for the creation of permanently affordable rental housing, for occupancy by lower-income households.

4. **HOME Program Administration - $51,763**
   Operation of the HOME Program by the Urban Programs Department, including technical assistance to participants, compliance with program regulations, underwriting, specification preparation and review, environmental review, and reporting to HUD.