AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: Ratification of Correspondence; Colorado Departmen

Action Requested: Motion

Parties to the Agreement:

Term Begins: **Term Ends:** **Grant Contract #:**

Summary:

The attached correspondence was distributed on 10/19/2016.

Fiscal Impact: None

Submitted by: Katherine Haase **Submitter's Email Address:** khaase@gunnisoncounty.org

Finance Review: ○ Required ◉ Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by: Discharge Date:

County Attorney Review: ○ Required ◉ Not Required

Comments:

Reveiwed by: Discharge Date: Certificate of Insurance Required

Yes ○ No ○

County Manager Review:

Comments:

Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirnie Discharge Date: 10/20/2016

◉ Consent Agenda ○ Regular Agenda ○ Worksession Time Allotted: 0

Agenda Date: 11/1/2016

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October 19, 2016

Colorado Department of Local Affairs
Division of Housing
C/O Kelli Barker
1313 Sherman Street
Denver, CO. 80203

Email: kelli.barker@state.co.us

Re: Homeless Prevention Activities Program Grant Application

Dear Ms. Barker,

The Gunnison County Board of County Commissioners supports the Gunnison Valley Regional Housing Authority's (GVRHA) grant application for Homeless Prevention Activities Program funding.

This funding will enable the GVRHA to assist those families who face eviction by helping them become current on rent, who risk interruption in utility service due to late payments, and who need assistance with security deposits so that they can afford to get into housing. The GVRHA's first priority will be to assist families with children, followed by assisting households with chronic mental health issues. Any remaining funding will be utilized to assist other families with their affordable housing needs.

This funding is greatly needed in the Gunnison communities because of the number of individuals and families who lack fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residences. As well, the local rental market has become saturated and unaffordable and, when a place to live is found, the cost to move in often becomes overbearing and unaffordable for many local families.

We ask you to please give strong consideration to the GVRHA's grant application. The GVRHA's mission to advocate, promote, plan and provide the long-term supply of desirable and affordable housing in Gunnison County will be supported by these grant funds, and we are confident in the GVRHA's ability and capacity to screen applicants, distribute monies as needed, and appropriately manage the funds.

Best Regards,

Paula Swenson, Chairperson | Phil Chamberland, Commissioner | Jonathan Houck, Commissioner