ITEM # <u>15</u> DATE: <u>06-23-09</u>

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO 2008-09 MID-IOWA COMMUNITY ACTION CONTRACT

BACKGROUND:

During its February 2008/09 budget decisions, the City Council approved a contract with Mid-Iowa Community Action, Inc., (MICA) in the amount of \$34,000. This allocation was split between child dental clinics (\$1,250), dental clinics (\$3,500), fluoride applications (\$750), and \$28,500 for family development. On June 16, 2009, staff received communication from MICA that it is requesting a reallocation of \$2,500 from the funding for family development to the Food Pantry program. This change is being requested based on client use during the current year.

MICA is experiencing a dramatic increase in demand for assistance from the Food Pantry. From November 1, 2008, to May 21, 2009, over 1,450 households (with an average household size of 2.88) visited the pantry. This is an increase of 32% over this time last year. For 2009-10, the City is allocating \$17,427 towards the Food Pantry.

This request will not change the total allocation of \$34,000 from the City to MICA for the 2008-09 fiscal year.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. The City Council may approve MICA's reallocation of \$2,500 from the funding for family development to the Food Pantry program.
- 2. The City Council may deny approval of this request.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council approve MICA's requested reallocation of \$2,500 from the funding for family development to the Food Pantry program.