STAFF REPORT City of Lancaster

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Date: May 24, 2016

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Elizabeth Brubaker, Director of Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization

Subject: Approval of a Sub-Recipient Agreement with the Housing Rights Center

for Fair Housing Services

Recommendation:

Approve the Sub-Recipient Agreement between the City of Lancaster and the Housing Rights Center to provide fair housing services to the residents of Lancaster for the 2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year.

Fiscal Impact:

The amount of \$35,000 is to be allocated from 2016 CDBG entitlement funds.

Background:

All municipalities receiving CDBG funding are required to maintain fair housing programs in order to affirmatively further fair housing pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations as outlined in § 570.601 Public Law 88–352 and Public Law 90–284; affirmatively furthering fair housing; Executive Order 11063.

The City has engaged the Housing Rights Center to provide the fair housing services in the 2016-2017 CDBG Program Year and in prior years. A letter was received from the Executive Director of the Housing Rights Center, dated April 26, 2016, stating their desire to continue to provide fair housing services to the City of Lancaster.

In compliance with Federal Regulations Title 24, Part 570, Section 570.503, HUD requires that the City of Lancaster (the "Recipient") enter into a written agreement with the Housing Rights Center (the "Sub-Recipient") in order for the City to grant its entitlement funds to the sub-recipient for providing fair housing services.

Attachment:

Agreement