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GENERAL INFORMATION

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SUBJECT—

Procurement Ordinance Amendment

SYNOPSIS—

Revisions to the Procurement Ordinance are needed to allow cooperative purchasing between the City of Des Moines and Polk County. Revisions to the Procurement Ordinance are proposed to allow the City to take advantage of Polk County's bid results and provide a means to procure goods and/or services through a joint bid process.

FISCAL IMPACT—

No direct cost to the City. Potential savings are unknown.

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval

BACKGROUND—

Through a series of meetings and workshops between the City of Des Moines and Polk County, City Council and Board of Supervisors members, as well as staff, are exploring a collaborative purchasing process that may lead to greater efficiencies and additional cost savings. This

ordinance change will address the “Establish a Purchasing Sharing Policy” recommendation from the City’s perspective. This recommendation had a target completion date of January 2005.