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	Agenda Item No. 16 Roll Call No. <u>09-</u> Communication No. <u>09-011</u> Submitted by: Larry Hulse, Community Development Director	

AGENDA HEADING:

Ordinance extending the temporary waiver of permit fees for the repair, renovation or replacement of structures damaged by the recent 2008 flooding within the City of Des Moines.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approving the ordinance extending the temporary waiver of permit fees for the repair, renovation or replacement of structures damaged by the recent 2008 flooding. On September 8, 2008, City Council extended the end date for the waiver of permit fees for structures damaged by the floods of 2008 from September 15, 2008, to December 15, 2008, because of additional late summer flooding in the Four Mile Creek area. Now, because allocated state and federal funding resources were not made available to flood victims in a timely manner, this action extends the waiver of fees until June 30, 2009. City staff recommends waiver of the second and third readings.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Unknown. Final cost is dependent on the number of applications, and the extent of damages.

Funding Source: Permit and Development Center permit revenues.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The building damage sustained by property owners in the Birdland and Four Mile neighborhoods as a result of flooding has placed a financial burden on those property owners. A permit fee waiver will help support the reconstruction of those properties, while not imposing additional cost burdens on those property owners. By waiving permit fees, the requirement for permits and inspections remains in place, thus allowing confirmation of safe and compliant construction, without the burden of permit fees. This action extends once again the previously approved waiver of fees, and is necessary to address the lingering unavailability of allocated state and federal funds. This action also waives fees associated with any appeals that may be necessary as a result of the flood events. Staff recommends waiver of the second and third readings so that waivers previously in effect will continue with limited interruption.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: September 8, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-1601

Action: Final consideration of ordinance above, (waiver requested by Community Development), requires 6 votes. Moved by Kiernan that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #14,797. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: June 16, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-1083

Action: Final consideration of ordinance above, (waiver requested by Community Development Director), requires 6 votes. Moved by Coleman that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #14,777. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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