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Economic Development

Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Resolution approving sponsorship of an application for financial assistance to the state of Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) under the High Quality Jobs (HQJ) Program for Siegwerk USA Co.

SYNOPSIS:

Approval of a resolution sponsoring an application on behalf of Siegwerk USA Co. (Earl Whipple, 3535 SW 56th Street, Des Moines, IA 50321) to the State of Iowa IEDA under the HQJ Program for financial assistance to support a proposed \$10 million warehouse expansion at 3301 SW 56th Street, Des Moines.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$317,300 estimated value of tax abatement

Funding Source: Industrial tax abatement under the 5-year declining percentage schedule.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Siegwerk, a global company headquartered in Germany, develops custom ink portfolios to
 match customers' requirements. The Des Moines location, 3535 SW 56th Street, is Siegwerk
 USA Co.'s headquarters for North Americas. Siegwerk provides innovative ink formulations,
 which have exactly the right properties and functionality for customer applications for a variety
 of label packaging throughout the United States and Canada.
- Siegwerk is proposing the development of a new warehouse at its SW 56th Street location to support its flexible packaging business unit. The new warehouse will be adjacent to the existing manufacturing plant and corporate office and will solidify Siegwerk's presence in Iowa, while positioning the location for future growth. The project will have a capital investment of \$10 million and will retain two (2) jobs at a qualifying wage of \$27.92 per hour.
- The Company has submitted an application to the state of IEDA under the HQJ Program for investment tax credit (estimated value \$192,000) and refund of sales tax on construction materials (estimated value \$183,000). The City is required to provide a local match, which will be in the form of property tax abatement under the Industrial Tax Abatement 5-year declining percentage schedule applied to the new value added by the warehouse expansion.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Approval of documents related to State of Iowa HQJ Program Award.

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