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	Agenda Item No.	45
	Roll Call No.	<u>17-2093</u>
	Communication No.	<u>17-837</u>
	Submitted by:	Scott E. Sanders, City Manager

AGENDA HEADING:

Resolution of the City of Des Moines, Iowa providing notice to the Polk County, Iowa Commissioner of Elections regarding submission of the question of imposition of a local option sales and services tax to registered voters of the City of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

SYNOPSIS:

Approve a resolution and motion submittal to the Polk County Commissioner of Elections to initiate a special election regarding the imposition of the Local Option Sales and Services Tax in Polk County.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$70,000 (Estimated Cost of Special Election)

Funding Source: G001CC001010, page 26 of FY2018 Operating Budget

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Multiple cities in Polk County are working to pass resolutions in November and December to request the Polk County Commissioner of Elections to call for a Local Option Sales and Service Tax election on March 6, 2018. The City of Des Moines recognizes the importance of this revenue tool and is partnering with other cities in Polk County for this effort. According to the last Iowa Department of Revenue Report, the City would receive approximately \$37 million in alternative revenue annually.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

If the Polk County Commissioner of Elections calls an election for the imposition of the Local Option Sales and Service Tax, the City Council would have to set the ballot language by December 29, 2018.

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