

Office of the City Manager

Date: June 25, 2018

Agenda Item No. 34

Roll Call No. 18-1083 Communication No. 18-339

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AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Iowa State University (ISU) to research, develop, deploy and evaluate technology and analytically based solutions to problems facing the City of Des Moines.

SYNOPSIS:

ISU is establishing a new initiative to connect problems in the community to research and education projects that may help solve them. This MOU will provide an official partnership with ISU to coordinate efforts with the City Council and City staff to identify problems and evaluate potential research projects to pursue.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

• The primary purpose of this MOU is to ensure that the communication and coordination necessary to implement research and educational projects is agreed upon by both parties. This MOU does not represent a commitment on behalf of either party to pursue specific projects or partnerships. Future projects may require subsequent agreements between the parties and may be subject to City Council approval.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: June 11, 2018

Roll Call Number: 18-0999

<u>Action</u>: <u>Memorandum</u> of Understanding (MOU) with Iowa State University for research and development of solutions to problems facing the community. (<u>Council Communication No. 18-281</u>) Moved by Mandelbaum to continue to the June 25, 2018 Council meeting. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Subsequent agreements would be subject to Council approval.

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