

ORDINANCE NO. 14,683

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, 2000, adopted by Ordinance No. 13,827, passed June 5, 2000, and amended by Ordinance No. 14,346 passed June 21, 2004, and Ordinance No. 14,492 passed September 26, 2005, by amending Sections 2-705 and 2-706 thereof, regarding the local preference and procurement ordinance.

Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa:

Section 1. That the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, 2000, adopted by Ordinance No. 13,827, passed June 5, 2000, and amended by Ordinance No. 14,346 passed June 21, 2004, and Ordinance No. 14,492 passed September 26, 2005 is hereby amended by amending Sections 2-705 and 2-706 regarding the local preference and procurement ordinance, as follows:

Sec. 2-705. Preference for local goods and services.

In recognition that businesses may pay higher property taxes due to their location within the corporate limits and that such taxes may increase the cost of providing goods and/or services in comparison to businesses located outside the corporate limits and to encourage businesses to locate and remain in the city, a preference shall be given to local businesses, as defined in section 2-706, in the issuance of purchase orders or the awarding of city contracts governed by this subdivision. In conducting the procurement of goods and/or services by competitive bid, the procurement administrator shall give preference to a responsive bid from a business located within the corporate limits of the city over an acceptable low bid submitted by a business located outside of the corporate limits, where the local bidder's bid exceeds the acceptable low bid by no more than one percent. In conducting the procurement of goods and/or services by request for proposals, a local preference equivalent to one percent of all points available to competing proposers under the evaluation criteria adopted for each procurement shall be awarded to each proposer whose business is located within the corporate limits of the city. The

local preference herein established shall not be applicable to goods and/or services procured with the assistance of federal, state or county grants or funds, nor shall the local preferences be applicable to goods and/or services where federal regulations or law prohibits a local preference, nor shall such preference be applied in violation of any international trade agreement or treaty to which the United States of America is a party.

Sec. 2-706. Determination of eligibility for local preference.

For purposes of determining if a business is entitled to a local preference, the business shall be considered to be a local business if its headquarters, or the headquarters of its parent or holding company, is determined to be within the corporate limits of the city, determined by the payment of city property taxes on such headquarters occupied by the business for a period of at least one year prior to award, or by the payment of rent to a landlord paying city property taxes on such headquarters occupied by the business for a period of at least one year prior to award.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

FORM APPROVED:

Ann DiDonato, Assistant City Attorney

T.M. Franklin Cownie, Mayor

Attest:

I, Diane Rauh, City Clerk of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance (Roll Call No. 07-1536), passed by the City Council of said City at a meeting held August 6, 2007 signed by the Mayor on August 6, 2007 and published as provided by law in the Business Record on August 20, 2007, Authorized by Publication Order No.5741.

Diane Rauh, City Clerk