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APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT FOR THE REGIONAL APPLICATION OF LOCAL OPTION SALES TAXES AND CREATING A TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL AUTHORITY, AND CONCERNING ADOPTION OF A PLAN FOR USE OF LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROCEEDS

WHEREAS, a proposal has been made to hold an election in Dallas, Polk and Warren Counties, for the approval of a one cent local option sales tax pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 423B; and

WHEREAS, the proposal calls for all cities and counties in the three county region to enter into an Agreement for the Regional Application of Local Option Sales Taxes and Creating a Tri-County Regional Authority; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the proposed Agreement would establish the uses of the proceeds of the proposed one cent local option sales tax, including property tax relief, a local property tax relief plan, and the allocation of a portion of the proceeds to a Tri-County Regional Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement would establish a Tri-County Regional Authority, the method of governance of the Tri-County Regional Authority, and the method for determining distributions to be made by the Tri-County Regional Authority for regional quality of life facilities; recreational trails; science, arts, cultural and historic preservation organizations; and regional tax equalization; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, desires to approve the Agreement, and to establish a process for public input on consideration of adoption of a City of Des Moines plan for local tax relief from the discretionary portion of the local option sales tax proceeds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, as follows:

1. That the Agreement for the Regional Application of Local Option Sales Taxes and Creating a Tri-County Regional Authority, on file in the office of the City Clerk, is hereby approved, and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Agreement for and on behalf of the City of Des Moines, Iowa.

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- 2. The City Manager is hereby directed to schedule and coordinate a public process concerning the establishment of a City of Des Moines plan for local tax relief, including four evening town hall meetings and a virtual town hall meeting on the City of Des Moines website.
- 3. The City Manager is further directed to prepare a recommendation to the City Council a City of Des Moines plan for local tax relief from the discretionary portion of the local option sales tax proceeds.
- 4. An informal hearing will be held on April 9, 2007, beginning at 5:00 p.m., on consideration of adoption of a City of Des Moines plan for local tax relief from a portion of the local option sales tax proceeds, and the City Clerk is directed to inform the media of the time and place of the informal hearing.

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bruce E. Bergman

City Attorney

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CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Mayor