

★ Roll Call Number

Agenda Item Number

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Date March 10, 2008

APPROVING PAYMENT OF \$136,500.00 TO THE GREATER DES MOINES COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR CONSTRUCTION COSTS OF JAMES W. COWNIE BASEBALL PARK

WHEREAS, the Park and Recreation Department is charged with providing recreational opportunities, leisure activities, and facilities throughout the City of Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2005 by Roll Call No. 05-737, the City Council approved a 28E Agreement between the City, Polk County and the Greater Des Moines Community Foundation ("Foundation") in which the Foundation received donations and provided payment for the construction of an eight field ballpark ("Baseball Park"), and provided that Polk County would be responsible for the design and construction management and administration services, and that the City would own the improvements; and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2006, by Roll Call No. 06-1395, the City accepted ownership of the Baseball Park and designated it as the "James W. Cownie Baseball Park"; and

WHEREAS, the improvements to the Baseball Park were constructed at a higher level than originally anticipated in order to allow the facility to be used to host state, regional and national tournaments, resulting in the costs of construction exceeding the total donations collected; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation has requested that the City and Polk County each contribute \$136,500.00 to reimburse the Foundation for payment of such unanticipated additional costs; and

WHEREAS, the City has identified funding in the amount of \$136,500.00 in FY08 to reimburse the Foundation in the City's capital improvement program PKS100 CPO040PKS990000, Park Redevelopment.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby approves the payment of \$136,500.00 to the Greater Des Moines Community Foundation for improvements to the James W. Cownie Baseball Park, and the Park and Recreation Director is authorized and directed to authorize such payment upon receipt of invoice from the Foundation and the City Finance Department is directed to issue said payment upon the Park and Recreation Director's request.

(Council Communication Number 08- 136)

Moved by _____ to adopt.

Approved as to Form:

Ann DiDonato
Ann DiDonato, Assistant City Attorney

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COWNIE				
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_____ Mayor				

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.

_____ City Clerk