

Date April 20, 2009

AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF TWO SINGLE-FAMILY NEW CONSTRUCTION APPLICATIONS FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS TO THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (IDED)

WHEREAS, The Iowa Department of Economic Development is administering the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery Funds per a statewide allocation or action plan approved by Housing and Urban Development.; and

WHEREAS, This Action Plan outlines the recovery activities that are taking place across the state such as Jumpstart, Infrastructure Repair, and Small Business Assistance. One additional proposed activity is the construction of new housing units to replace the units lost in the floods. IDED has initially allocated \$20 million statewide for this activity accessible through a competitive grant process.

WHEREAS, The City of Des Moines has targeted almost 30 properties that were destroyed by the flooding for buyout or acquisition/demolition relocation in the Birdland area and the Four Mile Creek area; and

WHEREAS, City of Des Moines has compiled two applications to submit to IDED to construct new units in replace of the ones lost in the flooding; and

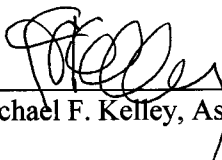
WHEREAS, Application 1 (attached as Exhibit 1) consists of a 14 unit project located in the 2200 block of Forest Avenue in the Drake Neighborhood and requests \$842,857 in CDBG funds; and

WHEREAS, Application 2 (attached as Exhibit 2) consists of a 13 Habitat for Humanity single-family homes scattered throughout Des Moines' neighborhoods and requests \$503,061 in CDBG funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the two applications for CBDG Disaster Recovery funds attached hereto be authorized for submittal to the Iowa Department of Economic Development.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Moved by _____ to adopt.



Michael F. Kelley, Assistant City Attorney

(Council Communication No. 09-250)

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COWNIE				
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APPROVED

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