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APPROVING THE FORM OF BALLOT PROPOSITION FOR THE PROPOSAL TO IMPOSE A LOCAL OPTION SALES AND SERVICES TAX, AND AUTHORIZING ITS SUBMISSION TO THE POLK COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF ELECTIONS FOR INCLUSION ON THE BALLOT FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JULY 10, 2007

WHEREAS, by Roll Call 07-399 of February 26, 2007, the City Council of the City of Des Moines approved the Agreement for the Regional Application of Local Option Sales Taxes and Creating the Tri-County Regional Authority ("28E Agreement") which 28E Agreement establishes the uses of the proceeds of the proposed one cent local option sales and services 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, by Roll Call No. 07-603 of March 26, 2007, the City Council directed that the City Manager and City Attorney prepare the additional local property tax relief plan as prescribed in the 28E Agreement and to prepare proposed ballot language for the July 10, 2007 local option sales and services tax election; and

WHEREAS, by separate resolution of this date, the City Council approved the City of Des Moines plan for additional local property tax relief from the discretionary portion of the local option sales and service tax proceeds; and

WHEREAS, ballot proposition language for the proposed imposition of a local sales and services tax has been prepared for submittal to the Polk County Commissioner of Elections.

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

1. The ballot proposition language for the proposed imposition of a local sales and services tax, attached hereto and made a part hereof, is approved as to form and content.

2. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to promptly certify and submit this roll call and the attached ballot proposition language to the Polk County Commissioner of Elections.

3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to notify the Polk County Board of Supervisors of this action by delivery of a certified copy of this roll call and the attached ballot proposition language.

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4. The Polk County Commissioner of Elections is hereby authorized to place the attached ballot proposition language on the ballot for the local option sales and services tax election to be held in Polk County, Iowa, on July 10, 2007.

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Moved by ______to adopt.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Lawrence R. McDowell Deputy City Attorney (Council Communication No. 07-217)

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COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
HENSLEY				
KIERNAN				
MAHAFFEY	1			
MEYER	1			
VLASSIS				
TOTAL		-		
MOTION CARRIED			APPROVED	

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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

SHALL THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC MEASURE BE ADOPTED? Yes No

Summary: To authorize imposition of a local sales and services tax in the cities of , Des Moines,

and the unincorporated area of Polk County at the rate of one percent (1%) to be effective from January 1, 2008, until December 31, 2017.

A local sales and services tax shall be imposed in the cities of ______, Des Moines, ______ and the unincorporated area of Polk County at the rate of one percent (1%) to be effective from January 1, 2008, until December 31, 2017.

Revenues from the sales and services tax are to be allocated as follows:

FOR THE CITY OF DES MOINES:

Thirty-three percent (33%) of such revenues to be allocated for property tax relief.

The specific purposes for which the revenues shall otherwise be expended are:

- 1. Thirty-three percent (33%) of such revenues to be applied for construction of capital improvements, consisting of expansion to Blank Park Zoo, neighborhood street, curb and sidewalk repair, neighborhood commercial area improvements, neighborhood park improvements, and tenant relief programs up to a maximum aggregate amount of Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000), with all of such applied revenues in excess of Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000) to be allocated for additional property tax relief, all as set forth on the additional property tax relief plan on file in the Office of the Des Moines City Clerk.
- 2. Thirty-four percent (34%) of such revenues to be distributed to the Tri-County Regional Authority for funding regional quality of life facilities, recreational trails, science, arts, cultural and historic preservation organizations, and regional tax equalization and transition payments to communities, pursuant to the terms of the joint agreement creating the Tri-County Regional Authority entered into by the City of Des Moines and other communities in Polk, Dallas and Warren Counties.