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Date June 9, 2008

RESOLUTION APPROVING ASSIGNMENT OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATES TO  
GREATER DES MOINES HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, INC,  
HOME OPPORTUNITIES MADE EASY, INC, AND  
COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, FOR THE  
DEVELOPMENT OF LOW TO MODERATE INCOME OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING

WHEREAS, Iowa Code §446.19A permits cities to acquire tax sale certificates for vacant lots and for abandoned property assessed as residential property or as commercial multifamily property at a tax sale without paying the taxes then due, to obtain the assignment of outstanding tax sale certificates by payment to the holder in the amount then due to redeem the certificate, and to give notice of expiration of the redemption period upon an expedited schedule, all for the purpose of encouraging the acquisition and rehabilitation of abandoned dwellings and the development of vacant lots for residential use; and,

WHEREAS, the parcels described below are scheduled to be sold at the June 2008 tax sale for nonpayment of taxes; and,

WHEREAS, the parcels described below are vacant lots assessed as residential property and are suitable for redevelopment as housing; and,

WHEREAS, Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity, Inc. ("Habitat for Humanity"), represented by Lance Henning, Executive Director; Home Opportunities Made Easy, Inc. ("HOME Inc.") represented by Pam Carmichael, Executive Director; and Community Housing Development Corporation ("CHDC") represented by Karen Jenske, Executive Director, have offered to redevelop the parcels described below for use for low or moderate income owner-occupied housing if the City will acquire and assign the tax sale certificates for the parcels to them; NOW THEREFORE,

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

1. The Agreements now on file in the Office of the City Clerk between City and Habitat for Humanity, HOME, Inc and CHDC whereby the City agrees to assign to each of them the tax sale certificates for the parcels described in the accompanying Council Communication, in consideration of their undertaking to redevelop the parcels for low and moderate income owner-occupied housing, is hereby approved.

2. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign the Agreements on behalf of the City of Des Moines.

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3. Upon execution of each of the Agreements by the parties thereto, the City Manager, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to seek assignment from Polk County pursuant to Iowa Code §446.19A of all outstanding tax sale certificates for the parcels identified in such Agreement. Upon receipt of reimbursement of any costs incurred by the City to acquire the outstanding tax certificates for the parcels identified in each Agreement, the City Manager, or his designee, is hereby further authorized and directed to sign the Assignment of such tax sale certificate(s) on behalf of the City of Des Moines as provided in such Agreement.

( Council Communication No. 08- **325** )

MOVED by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt.

FORM APPROVED:

By: *Roger K Brown*  
 Roger K. Brown  
 Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
HENSLEY				
KIERNAN				
MAHAFFEY				
MEYER				
VLASSIS				
<b>TOTAL</b>				

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.

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 City Clerk