

Agenda Item Number

July 9, 2007

## Date RESOLUTION APPROVING RETENTION OF JANE MCALLISTER OF THE AHLERS & COONEY LAW FIRM TO PROVIDE ENVIRONMENTAL LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE SE CONNECTOR PROJECT

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2005 by Roll Call 05-530, the City Council of the City of Des Moines entered into a Department of Transportation Agreement for the SE Connector; and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2005 by Roll Call 05-531, the City Council approved the Professional Services Agreement with Kirkham Michael for design services for the Southeast Connector; and

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2005 by Roll Call 05-969, the Council authorized proceeding with acquisition of necessary right-of-way for a portion of the SE Connector Project from SW 2nd to SE 14th Street; and

WHEREAS, there are various properties needed for the SE Connector that appear to have environmental issues associated with the properties that will need to be addressed and require environmental expertise; and

WHEREAS, the Legal Department has recommended the retention of Jane McAllister of the Ahlers & Cooney Law Firm to provide environmental legal services as needed on the SE Connector Project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the Legal Department is hereby authorized to retain Jane McAllister at an hourly rate not to exceed \$140.00 per hour to provide environmental legal services on the SE Connector Project on an as needed basis.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_\_ to adopt.

Kathleen Vanderpool

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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.

City Clerk