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ACCEPTING \$800,000 OF STATE HOME FUNDS FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BY ANAWIM/MERCY HOUSING (PIONEER WOODS, L.L.C.) AND AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH "NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS"

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2005 by Roll Call No. 05-2686 the Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency Governing Board approved a resolution to negotiate the sale of 33 duplex properties and one single family unit located in the vicinity of SE 17<sup>th</sup> and Kirkwood to Anawim/Mercy Housing; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2005 by Roll Call No. 05-2686 the City Council supported an application for Low Income Housing Tax Credits for Anawim/Mercy Housing; and,

WHEREAS, Anawim/Mercy Housing have formed an Iowa Limited Liability Corporation known as Pioneer Woods, L.L.C. to purchase and renovate the housing units for low income rental housing utilizing the Low Income Housing Tax Credits; and

WHEREAS, the Low Income Housing Tax Credit application also contained an application for \$800,000 of State HOME funds which has been awarded to Pioneer Woods, L.L.C. for renovation of housing units; and

WHEREAS, in order to assist this housing project, it has been proposed that the State of Iowa Department of Economic Development grant HOME Program funds for this project directly to the City of Des Moines for project administration; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Economic Development is prepared to award the HOME Program grant of \$800,000 to the City of Des Moines to be used in the rehabilitation of the Pioneer Woods, L.L.C. units; and

WHEREAS, to satisfy the environmental requirements of the HOME program, an Environmental Review Record (ERR) must be prepared before federal funds can be released for the use of construction/rehabilitation projects; and

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WHEREAS, the City’s Community Development has the responsibility to prepare and maintain the ERRs and has completed the ERR for the Pioneer Woods, L.L.C. units and has determined a Finding of No Significant Environmental Impact to the site; and

WHEREAS, a request for release of funds for the State HOME dollars must be published in the manner prescribed by 24 CFR 58.43 a notice to the public in accordance with 24 CFR 58.70 and as evidenced by the attached copy; and

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

1. The City Council accept the \$800,000 of HOME funding to be used by Pioneer Woods, L.L.C. in rehabilitation of housing units; and
2. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to publish the “Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds”, attached as Exhibit A, in the Des Moines Register on September 26, 2006; and
3. The Mayor is designated as Certifying Officer and is authorized to execute the “Request for Release of Funds and Certification,” Attached as Exhibit B and by this reference made a part hereof, and the City Clerk is directed to attest to his signature.

(Council Communication No. 06- 598 )

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

FORM APPROVED:

*Mary A. Laughlin*  
 Mary A. Laughlin  
 Assistant City Attorney

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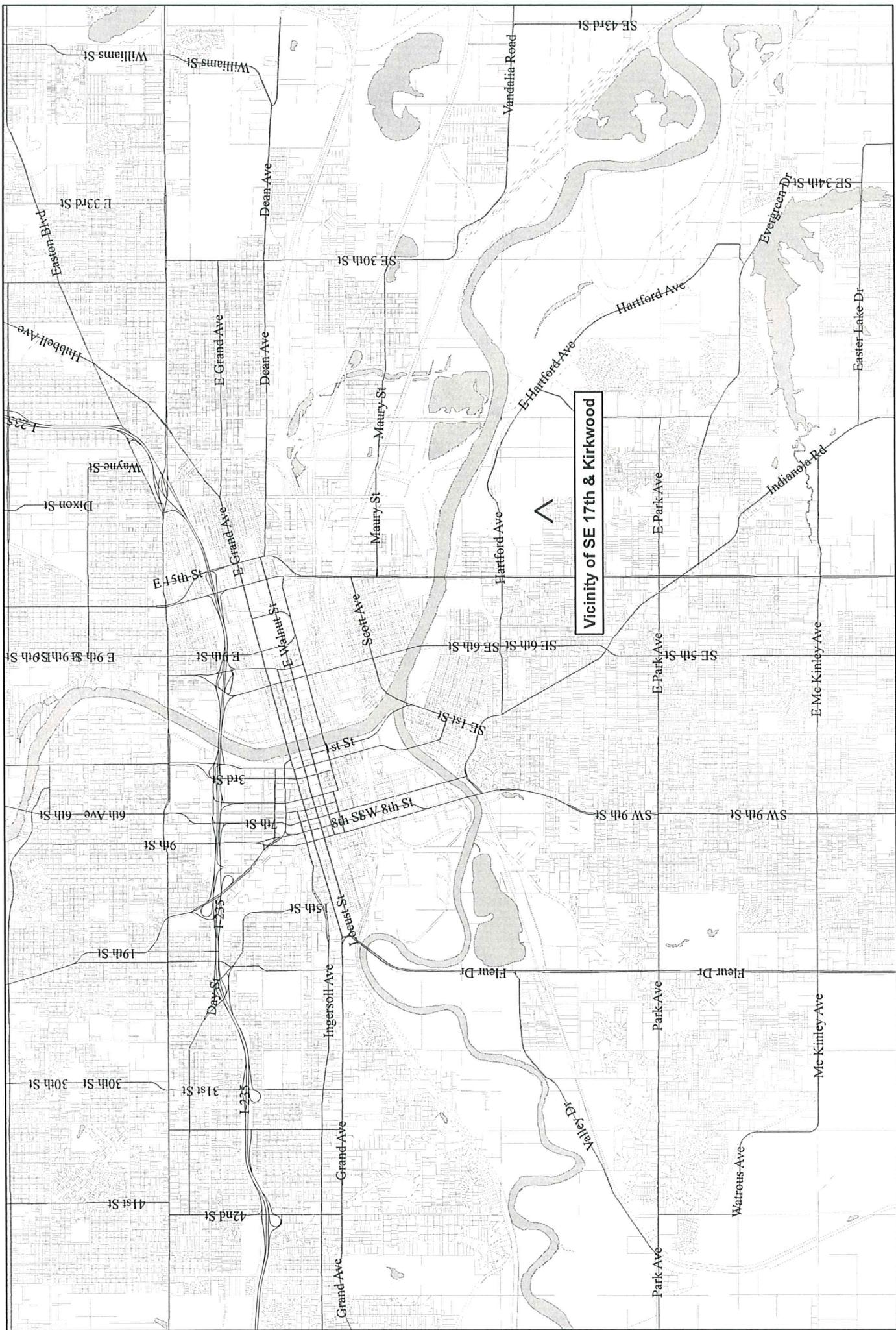
**CERTIFICATE**

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.

\_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk



Pioneer Woods L.L.C. Housing Units

September 19, 2006

