

December 7, 2009

Date

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA, TO SUBMIT A JOINT APPLICATION WITH DES MOINES METROPOLITAN CITIES AND OTHER METRO AREA CITIES FOR THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT (EECBG), RETROFIT RAMP-UP PROGRAM FUNDING MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA).

WHEREAS, Congress passed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009, which the President signed into law on February 17, 2009, to stimulate the economy and create jobs; and

WHEREAS, ARRA included \$3.2 billion in funding for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program authorized in Title V, Subtitle E of the Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA) and signed into law on December 19, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Energy, DOE Environmental Management Consolidated Business Center (EMCBC), on behalf of the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy announced funding opportunity announcement number, DE-FOA-0000148 on October 19, 2009, allocating \$390.4 million to establish Retrofit Ramp-up Programs; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Retrofit Ramp-up Program is to stimulate activities and investments which can: 1) fundamentally and permanently transform energy markets in a way that make energy efficiency and renewable energy the options of first choice; 2) sustain themselves beyond the grant monies and the grant period by designing a viable strategy for program sustainability into the overall program plan; 3) deliver verified energy savings from a variety of projects in the local jurisdiction; 4) achieve broader market participation and greater efficiency savings from building retrofits; 5) highly leverage grant funding in order to significantly enhance resources supporting the program; 6) serve as a pilot building retrofit program, that demonstrates the benefits of gaining economy of scale; and 7) serve as examples of comprehensive community-scale energy-efficiency approaches that could be replicated in other communities across the country.

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines is a city with limited financial resources and desires to demonstrate a Retrofit Ramp-up Program to change energy efficiency within the community; and

WHEREAS, the City is determined to support energy efficiency retrofits that leverage federal funds with other public and private resources, including coordinating efforts with other Iowa cluster grant applicants, its other EECBG grant partners; and

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines intends to comply with all agreed upon contractual requirements of ARRA, the EECBG program and other federal and state law.

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

1. The City Council supports and approves the above described application for ARRA EECBG Retrofit Ramp-up Program funding.

2. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the application on behalf of the City.

(Council Communication No. 09- 848 ) Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt.

Approved as to Form: Ann DiDonato

Ann DiDonato, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNE				
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MOTION CARRIED

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