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Date..... January 9, 2012

APPROVE GRANT REQUESTS TO POLK COUNTY HOUSING TRUST FUND (\$5,000) AND DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (\$5,000) BY THE NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT DIVISION FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING EFFORTS

WHEREAS, both the Polk County Housing Trust Fund (PCHTF) and the Downtown Community Alliance (DCA) have grant programs to help pay for technical assistance and innovative capacity building and needs assessments; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines Community Development Department operates a Neighborhood Revitalization Program that includes the need for extensive citizen input and involvement in the neighborhood planning process; and,

WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Development/Planning Division is seeking new and innovative strategies on how to strengthen the neighborhood planning process by broadening participation and reaching populations that typically don't participate in the planning and has determined that the use of an online planning tool, MindMixer, would help achieve that goal; and

WHEREAS, letters of request for grant funds will be sent to both PCHTF and DCA in the amount of \$5,000 each.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the submission of grant requests to DCA and PCHTF is hereby authorized and the City Manager or his designee is authorized to sign the grant applications, to carry out their terms and conditions, and to execute the resulting grant agreements if the grant are awarded to the City of Des Moines.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Moved by _____ to adopt.



(Council Communication No. 12-013)

Michael F. Kelley, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
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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.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Mayor

City Clerk