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APPROVING AN EXCEPTION TO THE PROCUREMENT ORDINANCE COMPETITIVE RFP PROCESS FOR GOOD CAUSE AND APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO RENEW CONTRACT WITH HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP TO PROVIDE FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE CONSULTING SERVICES FOR GOOD CAUSE AND AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME

WHEREAS, federal policy and funding issues have a significant impact on the City's services and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City is certain to benefit from the assistance of persons located in Washington, D.C. representing the City's interests regarding these issues; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2009, by Roll Call No. 09-693, the City Council approved an agreement with Holland & Knight, LLP, to provide professional federal government affairs services with an initial term of one year, with up to three one year renewal options upon mutual consent of both parties; and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2010, by Roll Call No. 10-617, the City Council approved a one year renewal of the agreement, on May 9, 2011, by Roll Call No. 11-0801, the City Council approved a one year renewal of the agreement, and on May 7, 2012, by Roll Call No. 12-0707, the City Council approved a one year renewal of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2013, by Roll Call No. 13-0912, the City Council approved a new agreement with Holland & Knight, LLP, to provide professional federal government affairs services with an initial term of one year, with up to three one year renewal options upon mutual consent of both parties, in the amount of $8,000.00 per month for the initial year and first two renewal years and $8,500.00 per month for the third renewal year, plus travel and expenses; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2014, by Roll Call No. 14-0974, the City Council approved a one year renewal of the agreement, which expired on April 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, on July 27, 2015, by Roll Call No. 15-1248, the City Council approved the second one year renewal until April 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, in order to continue the momentum of the on-going grant and legislative goals work which has been performed by Holland and Knight, LLP since 2009 on behalf of the City, the City Manager recommends that the procurement of such services be exempted from the competitive Request for Proposals process for good cause shown, pursuant to Section 2-710(b) of the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines; and

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WHEREAS, the City and Holland & Knight, LLP, desire to amend the agreement to allow an additional one year renewal of the agreement until April 30, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the City Manager is authorized and directed to execute the Amendment to Renew the agreement for an additional one year with Holland & Knight, LLP, for and on behalf of the City of Des Moines, subject to approval as to form by the Legal Department, and the City Clerk is authorized to attest to his signature; and

(Council Communication No. 17-343)

Moved by _____ to adopt.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ann DiDonato

Ann DiDonato, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
GATTO				
GRAY				
HENSLEY				
MOORE				
WESTERGAARD				
TOTAL				

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