

Date December 17, 2018

**INITIAL CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED
FORM OF BALLOT PROPOSITION FOR A PROPOSAL
TO IMPOSE A LOCAL OPTION SALES AND SERVICES TAX**

WHEREAS, by separate resolution of this date, the City Council of the City of Des Moines stated its intent for proposed Council action regarding submission of the question of the imposition of a local option sales and services tax on the portion of the incorporated area of the City that is located in Polk County, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, ballot proposition language for the proposed imposition of a local option sales and services tax has been prepared for initial consideration and preliminary approval by the City Council.

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


1. The proposed ballot proposition language for the proposed imposition of a local sales and services tax, attached hereto and made a part hereof, is hereby given initial consideration and is hereby preliminarily approved.
2. The proposed ballot proposition language for the proposed imposition of a local sales and services tax shall be given final consideration for formal approval at the special City Council meeting to be scheduled January 2, 2019.
3. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to promptly submit this roll call and the attached proposed ballot proposition language to the Polk County Commissioner of Elections.
4. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to promptly notify the Polk County Board of Supervisors of this action by delivery of a copy of this roll call and the attached proposed ballot proposition language.

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5. The City Manager and the City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to assist and coordinate with the Polk County Commissioner of Elections in the preparation and scheduling of timely publication of all notices of the ballot proposition to enable the potential holding of an election on the proposed imposition of a local sales and services tax on the first possible special election date being March 5, 2019.

Moved by _____ to adopt.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



 Lawrence R. McDowell
 Deputy City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
BOESEN				
COLEMAN				
GATTO				
GRAY				
MANDELBAUM				
WESTERGAARD				
TOTAL				

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

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

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SHALL THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC MEASURE BE ADOPTED?

Yes

No

Summary: To authorize imposition of a local sales and services tax in the city of Des Moines at the rate of one percent (1%) to be effective on July 1, 2019.

A local sales and services tax shall be imposed in the city of Des Moines at the rate of one percent (1%) to be effective on July 1, 2019.

Revenues from the sales and services tax are to be allocated as follows:

Fifty percent (50%) for property tax relief.

The specific purposes for which the revenues shall otherwise be expended are:

1. Fifty percent (50%) of such revenues for lawful purposes of the City including, but not limited to, repairing streets, flood prevention, public safety, and improving neighborhoods throughout the City of Des Moines. All expenditures will be subject to regular audit, public comment, and review.