



**Date** October 18, 2021

APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH DES MOINES WATER WORKS  
REGARDING FLASH BOARDS ON THE DES MOINES RIVER NEAR THE CENTER  
STREET DAM AND AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO PERMIT FLASH BOARDS TO  
REMAIN IN PLACE FOR UP TO FOUR ADDITONAL ANNUAL PERIODS

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department installs and removes flashboards on the Des Moines River near the Center Street Dam in order to help regulate the height of the River to increase the safety of recreational boating; and

WHEREAS, Des Moines Water Works desires that the flashboards at the Center Street Dam remain in place from October 31, 2021 through August 31, 2022, in order to help ensure an ample supply of raw water available at the Des Moines River Intake and Pumping Facility upstream of the Center Street Dam; and

WHEREAS, the City's normal procedure is to remove the flashboards at the Center Street Dam during the Winter season in order to prevent damage to the flashboards and related pins but is willing to cooperate with Water Works' request to leave the flashboards in place; and

WHEREAS, Water Works has agreed to reimburse the City for the costs of materials and labor to repair or replace such flashboards and related pins resulting from leaving the flashboards in place during the Winter season; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation Department staff and Water Works have agreed to an Agreement regarding the flashboards to remain in place for the period of October 31, 2021 through August 31, 2022, a copy of which is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa that the Agreement Between the City of Des Moines and The Board of Water Works Trustees of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, For Center Street Dam Operations and Flashboard Repairs, a copy of which is on file with the City Clerk's Office, is hereby approved and the Mayor is authorized and directed to sign the Agreement on behalf of the City and the City Clerk is authorized and directed to attest to his signature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager, or his designee, may authorize and execute up to four annual renewals of such Agreement to allow such flashboards to remain in place during annual Winter periods until August 31, 2026.



**Roll Call Number**

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(Council Communication No. 21- 430)

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Ann DiDonato  
Ann DiDonato  
Assistant City Attorney

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

**CERTIFICATE**

I, P. Kay Cmelik, 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

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Mayor

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City Clerk