



## Roll Call Number

Agenda Item Number

77A

Date September 29, 2025

An Ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE to amend the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, 2000, adopted by Ordinance No. 13,827, passed June 5, 2000, as heretofore amended, is hereby amended, by amending Section 2-364 relating to the retention of outside counsel",

presented.

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage.

Second by \_\_\_\_\_.

FORM APPROVED:

(First of three required readings)

/s/ Chas M. Cahill

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Assistant City Attorney

| COUNCIL ACTION | YEAS | NAYS | PASS     | ABSENT |
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| BOESEN         |      |      |          |        |
| SIMONSON       |      |      |          |        |
| VOSS           |      |      |          |        |
| COLEMAN        |      |      |          |        |
| WESTERGAARD    |      |      |          |        |
| MANDELBAUM     |      |      |          |        |
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| TOTAL          |      |      |          |        |
| MOTION CARRIED |      |      | APPROVED |        |

### CERTIFICATE

I, LAURA BAUMGARTNER, 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

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, 2000, adopted by Ordinance No. 13,827, passed June 5, 2000, as heretofore amended, is hereby amended, by amending Section 2-3648, relating to the retention of outside counsel.

Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa:

Section 1. That the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, 2000, adopted by Ordinance No. 13,827, passed June 5, 2000, as heretofore amended, is hereby amended, by amending Section 2-364 relating to the retention of outside counsel, as follows:

**Sec. 2-364. Employing special counsel.**

No compensation shall be allowed to any person for services as an attorney or counselor to any part of the city government or the heads thereof, except in cases especially authorized by ordinance or resolution of the city council and then only on the certificate of the city attorney or designee that the services are actually rendered and that they could not be performed by officers of the legal department, unless the city council specifically waives this certificate of the city attorney and directs a different process.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

FORM APPROVED:

/s/ Chas M. Cahill

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Assistant City Attorney