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**APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH WELLMARK BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF IOWA FOR ADMINISTRATION SERVICES RELATED TO THE CITY'S SELF-INSURED DENTAL PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES AND CERTAIN RETIREES AND AFFIRMING REPORT OF HEARING OFFICER ON APPEAL OF AWARD OF CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines provides its employees and retirees under the age of 65 years with dental coverage via a self-insured fund; and

WHEREAS, in order to administer the fund, the City uses an outside source to administer the dental plan; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposals was conducted in accordance with the City's procurement ordinance in order to select a dental plan administrator; and

WHEREAS, Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Iowa (John Forsythe, CEO) received the highest score by the Evaluation and Selection Committee of three proposals received; and

WHEREAS, the current administrative services agreement expires on June 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the contract be awarded to Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Iowa (John Forsythe, CEO) for the period July 1, 2009- June 30, 2010 at an anticipated cost of \$72,000.00 for the administrative services; and

WHEREAS, an administrative services agreement is available for approval and execution; and

WHEREAS, Delta Dental of Iowa has filed a timely appeal to the Notice of Intent to Award Dental Claims; and

WHEREAS, the hearing officer appointed by the City Manager has reviewed such appeal and has filed a report affirming the Evaluation and Selection Committee's recommendation, pursuant to the RFP appeal process under section 2-756 of the procurement ordinance and the provisions of the RFP.

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

That the City Council hereby affirms the report of the hearing officer affirming the Evaluation and Selection Committee's recommendation of the proposal submitted by Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Iowa.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the rates for administrative services for the City's self-funded dental insurance plan as set out in the agreement from Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Iowa, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the City Clerk, is approved and the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute such agreement on behalf of the City of Des Moines.

(Council Communication 09- 301 )

Moved by Hensley to adopt.  
Approved as to Form:

Carol J. Moser  
Carol J. Moser, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
HENSLEY	✓			
KIERNAN	✓			
MAHAFFEY	✓			
MEYER	✓			
VLASSIS	✓			
TOTAL	7			

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.

T. M. Franklin Council Mayor

Diane Rauh City Clerk