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Date December 6, 2010

APPROVING THE DES MOINES PUBLIC ART FOUNDATION'S REQUEST TO PLACE ART ON A TRAFFIC CONTROL BOX

WHEREAS, in 2004, the City of Des Moines entered into an agreement with the Greater Des Moines Community Foundation whereby a public art foundation would be created to facilitate the placement of public art within the City of Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, the Des Moines Public Art Foundation ("PAF") wishes to test a project by placing art on a city owned traffic control box located on the S.E. corner of Polk Blvd. and University Ave.; and

WHEREAS, in cooperation with the abutting property owner, the owner and PAF will finance the cost of a digital image of foliage in the form of a plastic covering for the City's traffic control box intended to beautify the appearance of the box; and

WHEREAS, the piece is temporary in nature and easily removed if necessary; and

WHEREAS, City staff have met with PAF Executive Director M. Jessica Rowe and the company representative who will apply the piece and are satisfied with the safety of the application of the art; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of PAF to monitor the success of this placement as a pilot project and later make a determination whether to expand the project; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the placement of this image be approved as an art project pursuant to the intended goals of the operating agreement between the City and the Greater Des Moines Community Foundation with the understanding that if the project expands involving city property, an agreement for multiple placements will be negotiated at a later date.

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

That the Des Moines City Council hereby approves of the project identified by the Des Moines Public Art Foundation and authorizes the placement of a noncommercial digital image plastic covering on the City's traffic control box located at the S.E. Corner of Polk Boulevard and University Ave.

(Council Communication Number 10-738 attached.)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carol J. Moser, Assistant City Attorney

Moved by Hensley to adopt.

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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.

Y. M. Franklin Council Mayor

Diane Rauh City Clerk