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DES MOINES HOUSING SERVICES DEPARTMENT REDUCTION IN FORCE

WHEREAS, the City's Housing Services Department includes the Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency ("DMMHA") and the Des Moines Community Action Agency ("Community Action"); and

WHEREAS, both the DMMHA and Community Action are federally funded; and

WHEREAS, the final passage of the FY11 Federal Budget resulted in a budget loss of \$430,000 to the Housing Services Department; and

WHEREAS, in order to reconcile its budget given the loss of funding, a staff reorganization is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the employees assigned to the DMMHA and Community Action are City of Des Moines employees; and

WHEREAS, in order to implement the cost cutting plan, two employees in several job classifications must be reduced as more specifically outlined in the accompanying Council Communication; and

WHEREAS, Section 400.28 of the Iowa Code states that "...when the public interest requires a diminution of employees..." the city council is authorized to reduce the number of employees in a classification and that action will not give rise to an appeal challenging that action before the civil service commission; and

WHEREAS, such a reduction of employees is necessary in order to implement substantial cost savings strategies required by the loss of federal funding within the Housing Services Department.

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

The public interest requires the diminution of employees as described in the attached City Council Communication and the numbers of employees in such classifications are hereby reduced and removed from such classifications subject to the right of recall as authorized by Iowa Code Chapter 400 (Civil Service).

(Council Communication 11- 334

Moved by ______ to adopt

Approved as to Form:

Carol J. Moser, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	V			
COLEMAN	1			
GRIESS				
HENSLEY	1			
MAHAFFEY	~			
MEYER	1			
MOORE	V			
TOTAL	1			

MOTION CARRIED WALL Mayor

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.

Diane Fanh

City Clerk