

Date: October 24, 2011

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR FREE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FROM SMART GROWTH AMERICA REGARDING A SUSTAINABLE LAND USE CODE AUDIT

WHEREAS, Smart Growth America is a non-profit national coalition of state and local organizations working for smart growth across the country whose members include but are not limited to the American Planning Association, ICMA and Urban Land Institute, and

WHEREAS, Smart Growth America has received grant funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency to provide free technical assistance to Cities on a number of Smart Growth Issues including sustainable land use code audits, and

WHEREAS, technical assistance from Smart Growth America for a sustainable land use code Audit could be incorporated as part of the proposed Des Moines Sustainability Plan grant application that is currently being reviewed by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, if the City is unsuccessful in obtaining Community Challenge Grant funding from HUD the technical assistance from Smart Growth America could provide a "top-ten" list of zoning and subdivision code amendments that would reduce barriers to sustainability in the City of Des Moines, and

WHEREAS, the deadline for Smart Growth America Technical Assistance applications is October 26, 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the City Council authorizes staff to submit an application for free technical assistance from Smart Growth America regarding a sustainable land use code audit and authorizes the City Manager to sign the grant application for submission.

FORM APPROVED:

MOVED by Mahaffey to adopt.

Michael F. Kelley Assistant City Attorney

(Council Communication No. 11-657)

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MOTION CARRIED APPROVED T. M. Franklin Council 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 Rauh City Clerk