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Date June 25, 2012

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTEREST TO THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) GREENING AMERICA'S CAPITALS PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Office of Sustainable Communities in the US Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Office of Policy is seeking letters of interest from state capital cities that want to develop in ways that reflect the principles of smart growth, green building, and the Partnership for Sustainable Communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines has taken a number of steps in recent years to become a more environmentally responsible community, including the creation of the Mayor's Task Force on Energy Conservation and Environmental Enhancement in 2006; and

WHEREAS, the EPA will select up to five state capitals cities to participate in the Greening America's Capitals program in 2012; and

WHEREAS, the EPA will provide a team of designers to visit the City for up to three days to produce schematic designs and illustrations to catalyze or complement a larger planning process for the pilot neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the City will request the EPA's assistance through the Greening America's Capitals program to develop a green infrastructure plan for multiple community benefits; and

WHEREAS, the 6th Avenue corridor between I-235 and Hickman Road will serve as the pilot area for this planning and technical assistance project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa that the Community Development Department is authorized and directed to submit a Letter of Interest to the EPA Greening America's Capitals program.

(Council Communication No. 12-348)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Moved by Wensley to approve.

  
Assistant City Attorney

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COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GRIESS	✓			
HENSLEY	✓			
MAHAFFEY	✓			
MEYER	✓			
MOORE	✓			
TOTAL	7			
MOTION CARRIED				

**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 Course Mayor

Diane Fauh City Clerk