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Date August 13, 2012

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO COMMUNICATE LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO THE ENTIRE COUNCIL, RESCINDING ROLL CALL 95-4586 AND DIRECTING UTILIZATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE PUBLIC PROCESS FOR REVIEWING LEGISLATION AT COUNCIL WORKSHOPS

WHEREAS, the state and federal legislative processes and state and federal legislation have become extremely complex, with actions that dramatically affect the City of Des Moines and its citizens and taxpayers occurring frequently and sometimes with extremely detailed and multifaceted components; and,

WHEREAS, review of legislation is an extremely important part of City of Des Moines' functions and City Council functions and it is imperative that the entire City Council receive updates frequently during the legislative session at Council Workshops and other meetings as needed; and,

WHEREAS, the Council's Legislative Subcommittee is no longer a viable mechanism to keep the entire Council informed of complex legislative actions and proposals as more detailed information needs to be provided to the entire Council on a regular and recurring basis; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager should be directed to engender to keep the entire Council informed of legislative actions and proposals at Council Workshops during the legislative session and as otherwise needed, from time to time.

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

1. To enhance communication with the entire City Council, the City Manager is hereby directed to regularly communicate detailed legislative issues and proposed legislation to the entire City Council as the City Manager determines is needed and appropriate.
2. That Roll Call #95-4586 is hereby rescinded and the former Legislative Subcommittee is hereby dissolved.

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3. That the City Manager is hereby directed to utilize a comprehensive public Council review process at Council Workshops occurring during the legislative session to review proposed legislation and legislative actions with the entire City Council, in detail.

Moved by Hensley to adopt.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jeffrey D. Lester
City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GRIESS	✓			
HENSLEY	✓			
MAHAFFEY	✓			
MEYER		✓		
MOORE	✓			
TOTAL	6	1		

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

T. M. Franklin 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