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June 10, 2013

Date

**APPROVING AN EXCEPTION TO THE PROCUREMENT ORDINANCE
COMPETITIVE RFP PROCESS FOR GOOD CAUSE AND ACCEPTING PROPOSAL
OF HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP TO PROVIDE FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE
CONSULTING SERVICES AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION
OF SAME**

WHEREAS, federal policy and funding issues have significant impact on City services and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City is certain to benefit from the assistance of persons located in Washington, D.C. representing the City's interests; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2009 by Roll Call No. 09-693, the City Council approved an agreement with Holland & Knight, LLP to provide professional federal government affairs services with an initial term of one year, with up to three one year renewal options upon mutual consent of both parties; and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2010, by Roll Call No. 10-617, the City Council approved a one year renewal of the agreement, on May 9, 2011, by Roll Call No. 11-0801, the City Council approved a one year renewal of the agreement and on May 7, 2012 the City Council approved a one year renewal of the agreement, which expired on April 30, 2013; and

WHEREAS, in order to continue the momentum of the on-going grant and legislative goals work which has been performed by Holland and Knight, LLP since 2009 on behalf of the City, the City Manager recommends that the procurement of such services be exempted from the competitive Request for Proposals process for good cause shown, pursuant to Section 2-710(b) of the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, Holland & Knight, LLP has submitted a proposal for federal legislative services and agreement for same for an initial period of one year with up to three one year renewal terms in the amount of \$8,000 per month for the initial year and first two renewal years and \$8,500 per year for the third renewal year, plus travel expenses, a copy of which is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that good cause has been shown to exempt the procurement of federal legislative consulting services from the Procurement Ordinance competitive Request for Proposal process.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proposal submitted by Holland & Knight, LLP is hereby accepted and the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute an agreement with Holland & Knight, LLP to provide such services as described above, for an initial period of one year, with up to three 1 year renewal options, a copy of which is on file in the City Clerk's Office, for and on behalf of the City of Des Moines, and the City Clerk is authorized to attest to his signature.

(Council Communication No. 13- 299)

MOVED BY Hensley TO APPROVE.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ann DiDonato
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Assistant City Attorney

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

MOTION CARRIED 7 APPROVED
T. M. Franklin Cownie 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