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Agenda Item Number  
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Date November 3, 2014

**AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF GREATER DES MOINES FOR DONATIONS TO CITY FOR JAMES W. COWNIE BASEBALL PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the City owns the James W. Cownie Baseball Ballpark located at SE 22<sup>nd</sup> and Hartford Streets in Des Moines (the "Ballpark") and is planning to construct parking lot improvements at the Ballpark, including a roadway, parking lot, lighting, and storm sewer improvements with an estimated cost of \$1,200,000 (the "Ballpark Improvements"); and

WHEREAS, sufficient City funds are not currently available to construct all of the Ballpark Improvements and other future improvements at the Ballpark (the "Future Improvements"); and

WHEREAS, the Cownie Sports Park Fund II at the Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines ("CFGDM") has received \$800,000 in private contributions, with approximately \$550,000 to be used toward the Ballpark Improvements and the remaining funds to be used for Future Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the CFGDM desires to cooperate with the City by collecting donations and providing the funds received in the Cownie Sports Park Fund II as reimbursement to the City for the cost of design and construction of the Ballpark Improvements and Future Improvement projects for the benefit of the citizens of Des Moines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate and execute an agreement with the Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines on behalf of the City and the City Clerk is directed to attest to his signature.

(Council Communication Number 14- **530** )

Moved by Gatto to adopt.

Approved as to Form:

Ann DiDonato  
 Ann DiDonato, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
GRAY	✓			
HENSLEY	✓			
MAHAFFEY	✓			
MOORE	✓			
TOTAL	7			
MOTION CARRIED				APPROVED

**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.

*J. M. Franklin*  
 City Manager

*Diane Rauh*  
 City Clerk

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