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AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE (FMA) APPLICATION AND REQUEST TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) FOR PROPOSED VOLUNTARY HAZARD MITIGATION ACQUISITION BUYOUT AND DEMOLITION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has announced the Unified Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) grant program for Fiscal Year 2015, which includes Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) for hazard mitigation planning and mitigation projects prior to a disaster event; and

WHEREAS, the State is making available FMA funds for those eligible hazard mitigation project types that will reduce or eliminate the potential for harm to people and property from future hazard occurrences; and

WHEREAS, the City is eligible to apply for FMA funds for a proposed FEMA Voluntary Flood Buyout Program to purchase residential properties that are currently located in the 100-year floodplain and are National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) insured; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2015, the City received an invitation from the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division to complete and submit an FMA application; and

WHEREAS, this grant is based on a cost share basis with the federal share not exceeding 75%, the state share not exceeding 10% and the local share being a minimum of 15% of the total project cost. The minimum 15% local share can be either cash or in-kind match.

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

1. That the Mayor and/or City Manager are authorized and directed to sign the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) application as appropriate once completed.
2. That City Council understands and agrees to provide and make available at least 15% of the total project cost to meet the match requirement for this mitigation grant program.
3. That the Mayor and City Council are hereby authorized and directed to sign the attached Local Match Resolution form.
4. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to deliver the signed FMA application to the Real Estate Division, and the Real Estate Division is hereby authorized and directed to



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submit the FMA application on behalf of the City of Des Moines to the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division.

- 5. If the City's application for FMA funds is granted, the Engineering Department's Real Estate Division is directed to seek City Council acceptance of the FMA funds and approval for future actions necessary and proper to implement the proposed voluntary acquisition project.

(Council Communication No. 15-426)

Moved by Moore to adopt.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Lisa A. Wieland, Assistant City Attorney

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

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 Council Mayor

Diane Rauh City Clerk