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Date March 7, 2016

**APPROVING REVISED CITY OF DES MOINES
TAXPAYER QUALITY ASSURANCE POLICY**

WHEREAS, Iowa Code §26.9 requires that contracts for public improvements be awarded to the "lowest responsive, responsible bidder" and Iowa court decisions allow public entities to consider factors other than price in determining who is the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Des Moines City Council in recognition of this and that Vertical Infrastructure Projects are designed for human occupancy and construction of these projects can be complex and difficult, adopted a policy entitled "City of Des Moines Taxpayer Quality Assurance Policy" on September 8, 2014 by Roll Call No. 14-1417, for evaluating the necessity for additional information from bidders to assist in determining the lowest responsible bidder on Vertical Infrastructure Projects; and

WHEREAS, changes have been proposed to revise the City of Des Moines Taxpayer Quality Assurance Policy to clarify the definition of Vertical Infrastructure Project and the process for Council implementing the Policy; and

WHEREAS, the changes are discussed in the referenced Council Communication attached to this Roll Call and are set forth in the revised City of Des Moines Taxpayer Quality Assurance Policy.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL that it hereby approves the attached revised Des Moines Taxpayer Quality Assurance Policy.

(Council Communication No. 16- 127 attached)

Moved by Gatto to adopt the policy as amended to allow the Questionnaire to be submitted with the bid - strike "no later than two weeks prior to the deadline for accepting bids.

FORM APPROVED: Kathleen Vanderpool
Kathleen Vanderpool
Deputy City Attorney

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COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
GRAY	✓			
HENSLEY		✓		
MOORE	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
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