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Date February 20, 2017

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING \$50,000 CONTRIBUTION TO IOWA AGRICULTURAL WATER ALLIANCE TO IMPLEMENT CONSERVATION PRACTICES THROUGH THE NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION SERVICE REGIONAL CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

WHEREAS, on August 27, 2012, by Roll Call No. 12-1381, the City Council approved the 28E Agreement for the Fourmile Creek Watershed Authority with various governmental entities to coordinate various cities, counties and soil and water conservation districts and their improvements within the Fourmile Creek Watershed Conservation District; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2015, by Roll Call No. 15-0702, the City Council approved the 28E Agreement for the Walnut Creek Watershed Authority with various governmental entities to coordinate various cities, counties and soil and water conservation districts and their improvements within the Walnut Creek Watershed Conservation District; and

WHEREAS, the Fourmile Creek Watershed Management Plan was completed in April 2015 and the Walnut Creek Watershed Management Plan was completed in June 2016 ("the Plans") and both Watershed Authorities received Iowa Department of Natural Resources grants to fund development of the Plans; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Agricultural Water Alliance is leading the Regional Conservation Partnership Program that will use \$9.5 million in federal grant funds to provide technical and financial assistance to install conservation practices on agricultural lands in eight priority watersheds throughout the state of Iowa ; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Agricultural Water Alliance will use City cash contributions as matching funds to prioritize technical and financial assistance to property owners in Walnut Creek and Fourmile Creek watersheds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the contribution of \$50,000 to the Iowa Agricultural Water Alliance for local match funds to implement conservation practices on agricultural land in Fourmile Creek and Walnut Creek Watersheds through the Natural Resource Conservation Service Regional Conservation Partnership Program over a 5 year period is hereby approved and payment of such \$50,000 is hereby authorized and the Public Works Director is directed to make such payments.

(Council Communication 17- 074 )

Moved by Hensley to adopt.

Approved as to Form:

Ann DiDonato

Ann DiDonato, Assistant City Attorney

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

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

T. M. Franklin Council Mayor

Diane Rauh

City Clerk