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**APPROVING COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH POLK COUNTY TO PROVIDE  
WATERSHED COORDINATION SERVICES TO SUPPORT METRO AREA  
WATERSHED MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES.**

WHEREAS, flooding and water quality along Fourmile Creek and Walnut Creek has impacted Des Moines residential and commercial properties, and

WHEREAS, the City, along with Polk County, and various other communities have entered into a 28E agreement to create the Fourmile Creek Watershed Management Authority, and

WHEREAS, the Fourmile Creek Watershed Management Authority has developed and approved the 2015 Fourmile Creek Watershed Management Plan, and

WHEREAS, the City, along with Polk County, and various other communities have entered into a 28E agreement to create the Walnut Creek Watershed Management Authority, and

WHEREAS, the Walnut Creek Watershed Management Authority has developed and approved the 2016 Walnut Creek Watershed Master Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Fourmile Creek Watershed Management Authority and Walnut Creek Watershed Management Authority have recommended that a Watershed Coordinator be selected to support implementation of watershed management plan recommendations in the Des Moines metro area, and

WHEREAS, Polk County has negotiated an agreement to hire Polk Soil and Water Conservation District to support Des Moines area Watershed Management Authorities for three years at a total annual cost not to exceed \$165,000, and

WHEREAS, Polk County has requested member communities of Fourmile Creek, Mud-Camp-Spring Creek, and Walnut Creek Watershed Management Authorities contribute to the cost of a shared Watershed Coordinator based on population and drainage area, and

WHEREAS, Polk County has negotiated with City staff for a Cooperative Agreement with the City in an annual amount not to exceed \$37,000 for the City's share of the cost of Watershed Coordinator.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA: That the Cooperative Agreement between the City and Polk County to provide Watershed Coordinator services, in an amount not to exceed \$111,000 over three years, a copy of which is on file with the City Clerk Office, is hereby approved and the City Manager and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and attest, respectively, said Cooperative Agreement for and on behalf of the City of Des Moines, Iowa.

(Council Letter Number 609 attached)

Moved by Hensley to adopt.

FORM APPROVED: Ann DiDonato  
 Ann DiDonato  
 Assistant City Attorney

Funding Source: 2017-18 Public Works Operations Budget PW248423 Stormwater Utility Management

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				✓
COLEMAN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
GRAY	✓			
HENSLEY	✓			
MOORE	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	6			1
MOTION CARRIED		APPROVED		

Chris Coleman MAYOR PRO TEM

**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