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Date January 13, 2020

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING \$20,000 FUNDING TO POLK SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO SUPPORT WATER QUALITY MONITORING IN FOURMILE CREEK AND WALNUT CREEK WATERSHEDS

WHEREAS, Polk Soil and Water Conservation District (PSWCD) entered into an agreement with Drake University to monitor water quality in Fourmile Creek and Walnut Creek over a three-year study period; and

WHEREAS, such water monitoring study was recommended by the Fourmile Creek and Walnut Creek Watershed Management Authorities (WMAs), of which the City of Des Moines is a member, and the quality information from such study will help the City of Des Moines assess the impacts of watershed management activities in the Fourmile Creek and Walnut Creek watersheds; and

WHEREAS, the total estimated cost of such three-year study is \$200,000, with funds being provided by other members of the WMAs and Des Moines Water Works; and

WHEREAS, PSWCD has requested that the City of Des Moines contribute \$20,000 towards the cost of such study; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department has determined that the information from such study will directly benefit the stormwater management utility and its operations and purpose, pursuant to Des Moines Municipal Code Section 118-272(b); and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department recommends providing PSWCD with up to \$20,000 for the costs of such Drake University monitoring study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the payment of \$20,000 to Polk Soil and Water Conservation District towards the costs of a three-year water quality study by Drake University is hereby approved and the Public Works Director is authorized to make such payment.

(Council Communication No. 20-011)

Moved by Gatto to adopt.

Approved as to Form:

Ann DiDonato, Assistant City Attorney

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CERTIFICATE

I, P. Kay Cmelik, 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. Franke, Mayor

P. Kay Cmelik, City Clerk