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Date August 3, 2020

**RATIFICATION OF IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (IDOT) STATE
RECREATIONAL TRAILS FUNDING GRANT APPLICATION FOR NEAL SMITH TRAIL
PHASE II REHABILITATION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the approximately 26 mile-long Neal Smith Multi-Use Recreational Trail was originally built in 1982 and all but a one mile section of the Trail has been updated to multi-use standards; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department has submitted an application to the IDOT for a State Recreation Trails (SRT) grant in the amount of \$450,000 to be applied towards the cost of updating such remaining one-mile Trail section; and

WHEREAS, the Trail section updating project includes a surface overlay, widening of the trail to ten feet, installation of an informational panel about the Neal Smith Trail, installation of an Urban PYRO Eco-Counter, bench pads for future benches, and removing invasive tree species; and

WHEREAS, the SRT grant application requires that the City Council provide certain endorsements of the City Council, including adequate maintenance of the Neal Smith Trail for 20 years and a guaranteed local match of at least 25% of the entire requested sum from the SRT funding program.

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

1. The above described Project is authorized and endorsed.
2. The grant application submitted by the Parks and Recreation Department to the Iowa Department of Transportation to seek State Recreation Trails financial assistance in the amount of \$450,000 is hereby ratified and the Parks and Recreation Department is authorized to have made such application on behalf of the City of Des Moines.
3. The City affirms its intention to provide funding for such Trail project in the amount of 25% of the amount of an SRT grant awarded for such Trail project.
4. If such SRT grant is awarded to the City, the City will adequately maintain the Neal Smith Trail so that it will be made available for its intended use to members of the public for 20 years from the date of acceptance of such Trail project improvements.



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Moved by Gatto to adopt.

Attachment: SRT grant application.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Ann DiDonato
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.

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED
J. M. Franklin Cownie Mayor

P. Kay Cmelik City Clerk