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Date September 14, 2020

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR APPROVAL OF THE
APPLICATION TO IOWA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (IEDA) FOR
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS TO PREPARE, PREVENT,
AND RESPOND TO CORONAVIRUS**

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) was signed into Public Law 116-136, which provides additional Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) funding to prepare, prevent, and respond to coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2020, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced the availability of a second round of \$1 billion in CDBG-CV funds for states which allows them to fund activities in entitlement areas; and

WHEREAS, HUD allocated \$9,529,120 in CDBG-CV funds to the State of Iowa and administered by IEDA; and

WHEREAS, IEDA chose a methodology for funding entitlement cities based on population and a standard factor and has proposed an allocation of \$1,951,677 CDBG-CV funds to the City of Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with instructions from IEDA and 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 91 Subpart B, an entitlement jurisdiction receiving CDBG-CV funding, such as the City of Des Moines, must follow its citizen participation procedures and provide citizens with a reasonable opportunity to comment on federally funded activities; and

WHEREAS, HUD has issued several regulatory waivers and suspensions for federally funded programs, including Consolidated Plan and citizen participation requirements in 24 CFR 91, in conjunction with the CARES Act; and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2020, HUD acknowledged the City of Des Moines' intent to waive 1.) the citizen participation 30-day public comment period for Consolidated Plan amendments to no less than five days and 2.) citizen participation reasonable notice and opportunity to comment in the city's citizen participation plan; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary, by public hearing following notice, to obtain the views of citizens regarding community development and housing needs and to provide a forum for citizen comment on the City's proposed activities in the CDBG-CV application to IEDA; and

WHEREAS, on August 19, 2020, by Roll Call No. 20-1400, the City Council set a public hearing for September 14, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. to obtain citizen comments regarding the Application to IEDA; and

WHEREAS, due notice of the public hearing was published in the Des Moines Register on August 28, 2020, and copies of the proposed activities were made available for public review at the Clerk's Office in City Hall at 400 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines and on the City of Des Moines' web site, dsm.city; and



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WHEREAS, IEDA requires the public hearing include the nine factors included on Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on this date has been opened and those seeking to comment on the activities in the CDBG-CV Application to IEDA have been afforded the opportunity to do so; and

WHEREAS, IEDA will forward the Grant Agreements for CDBG-CV funds to prepare, prevent, and respond to coronavirus once the Application has been received and approved.

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

1. All public comments regarding the activities in the CDBG-CV Application to IEDA have been received and the hearing is hereby closed.
2. The aforementioned proposed activities of the CDBG-CV Application to IEDA, on file with the City Clerk and by this reference made a part hereof, is hereby approved.
3. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign Exhibit B, the Application's cover letter.
4. The City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to sign and submit the Application and related materials, such as the disclosure report and federal assurances, to IEDA.

MOVED BY Gatto TO ADOPT.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Judy K. Parks-Kruse
Judy K. Parks-Kruse, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
BOESEN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
GRAY	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	7			

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. Franckh Cownie
Mayor

P. Kay Cmelik
City Clerk