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AUTHORIZING NOTIFICATION REGARDING CITY PARTICIPATION IN THE CENTRAL IOWA WATER TRAILS SYSTEM, SUBJECT TO AGREEMENT TERMS BEING FINALIZED

WHEREAS, Central Iowa Water Trails, LLC (CIWT) operates as a regional public-private partnership for the purpose of implementing a recreational and dam safety plan for 150 miles of water trails throughout Central Iowa (“Central Iowa Water Trails System”); and

WHEREAS, the following seven Water Trail Improvements are regional access points located within the corporate city limits of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, as described in the 2018 MPO/ISG Phase I Regional Engineering Studies for Des Moines River, Raccoon River, and Fourmile + Mud Creek:

DES MOINES RIVER IMPROVEMENTS - river access improvements at River Place, Prospect Park, Birdland Marina, and Harriet Street.

RACCOON RIVER IMPROVEMENTS— river access improvements at 63rd Street.

FOURMILE CREEK river access improvements at Sargent Park and Fourmile Community Recreation Center; and

WHEREAS, there are three dam mitigation sites located in Des Moines, including Center Street, Fleur Drive and Scott Avenue, as presented in 2018 Downtown Des Moines Water Trails Engineering Study; and

WHEREAS, CIWT drafted and presented a 28E agreement that provides for the operation and maintenance of the planned water trail improvements; and

WHEREAS, as the terms of the draft 28E Agreement are being finalized, CIWT has requested jurisdictions provide confirmation of their intent to participate in the Central Iowa Water Trails System; and

WHEREAS, City staff have reviewed the draft 28E agreement and are working to resolve terms such that the 28E Agreement can be presented to City Council for consideration; and

WHEREAS, annual jurisdiction contributions are for the support of the operating budget of the non-profit, currently known as CIWT. Public jurisdictions provide for 70% of the funding and private contributions provide the remaining 30%. CIWT has calculated the City of Des

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Moines contribution to be \$141,876 for FY2022 based on the number and type of access points, drainage area and population; and

WHEREAS, future annual contribution amounts may vary based on overall jurisdiction's participation and direction of the Board to be established.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to notify CIWT of the City's intent to participate in the Central Iowa Water Trails System, subject to agreement terms being finalized.

(Council Communication Number 21-235)

Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt.

Refer to the City Manager to address the cost cap issue in the 28E and review the operational revenue assumptions.

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. Frankin Cownie Mayor

P. Kay Cmelik City Clerk