



Roll Call Number

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Date May 9, 2022

APPROVING EXCEPTION TO THE PROCUREMENT ORDINANCE REQUEST FOR PROCUREMENT (RFP) PROCESS FOR GOOD CAUSE, APPROVING MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH IOWA SPORTS TURF MANAGEMENT, INC. TO MAINTAIN VARIOUS ATHLETIC FIELDS, AND TERMINATION OF EXISTING MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH IOWA SPORTS TURF MANAGEMENT, INC.

WHEREAS, the Des Moines Parks and Recreation Department is charged with providing recreational and athletic opportunities to the residents of Des Moines and owns and operates various athletic sport venues; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Sports Turf Management, Inc. is recognized as being an expert in horticultural field maintenance and has expressed a desire to provide custodial care and horticultural maintenance at City athletic fields; and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2009, by Roll Call No. 09-152, the City Council approved a Maintenance Agreement with (Greater Des Moines Baseball Co.) GDMBC for a period of five years with one 5-year renewal for the James W. Cownie Soccer and Baseball Parks and various other athletic fields; and

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2018, by Roll Call No. 18-0585, the City Council approved a subsequent Maintenance Agreement which terminated the City's above-described agreement with GDMBC and extended the agreement with Iowa Sports Turf Management, Inc. until December 31, 2022 with an option for one additional 5-year renewal; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department has negotiated with Iowa Sports Turf Management, Inc. to enter into a replacement Maintenance Agreement, in form on file in the City Clerk's Office, for maintenance duties at the James W. Cownie Soccer and Baseball Parks, various sports fields, and the George Davis Softball Complex, for an initial term from May 10, 2022 until December 31, 2026, with an option for one additional 5-year renewal with mutual agreement of the parties; and

WHEREAS, said replacement Maintenance Agreement terminates the current agreement with Iowa Sports Turf Management, Inc. effective May 10, 2022, and further increases the annual administrative fee, equipment fee, and labor and supply cost charges to reflect increased costs incurred by the contractor when providing maintenance services under the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager recommends that the above-described procurement for services be exempted from the request for proposals process for good cause shown as approved by the City Manager, pursuant to Section 2-710(b) of the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines.



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

1. Good cause has been shown to exempt the procurement of custodial care and horticultural maintenance services at the James W. Cownie Baseball and Soccer Parks and other athletic fields from the request for proposals process under the Procurement Ordinance.
2. The Maintenance Agreement by and between the City and Iowa Sports Turf Management, Inc. in form on file in the City Clerk's Office and terminating and replacing the existing agreement, is hereby approved, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign said agreement on behalf of the City, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to attest to said signature.

(Council Comm. No. 22-205)

MOVED BY Boesen to adopt.

SECOND BY Gatto

Approved as to form:

/s/ Glenna K. Frank
Glenna K. Frank
Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				✓
BOESEN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
SHEUMAKER	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	6			1
MOTION CARRIED	APPROVED			

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.

John Fubelli
MAYOR PRO TEM

P. Kay Cmelik City Clerk