



Roll Call Number

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Agenda Item Number

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Date February 24, 2025

DIRECTION TO CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING POTENTIAL FRANCHISE FEE

WHEREAS, The Des Moines City Council would like the City to investigate the possibility of increasing the franchise fee pursuant to Iowa Code section 384.3A(j) to use for the reduction of property tax levies that support the operation and maintenance of a municipal transit system or a regional transit district or to maintain transportation service levels of a municipal transit system or a regional transit district.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, directs the City Manager and the City Attorney to provide to Council a draft franchise fee increase including recommending appropriate conditions or qualifications regarding the assessment and use of the funds. The City Manager and City Attorney are further directed to work toward an understanding with DART regarding its reimagining of DART services, its funding formula and a governance model, all of which are agreeable to Council and consistent with Iowa Code.

Moved by Mandelbaum Second by Simonson

to adopt.

FORM APPROVED:

Thomas G. Fisher Jr. Deputy City Attorney

Table with 5 columns: COUNCIL ACTION, YEAS, NAYS, PASS, ABSENT. Rows include BOESEN, SIMONSON, VOSS, COLEMAN, WESTERGAARD, MANDELBAUM, GATTO, and TOTAL (7 yeas).

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED Connie Boesen Mayor

CERTIFICATE I, LAURA BAUMGARTNER, 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. Laura Baumgartner City Clerk