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Date November 3, 2025

APPROVAL OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER OF PUBLIC FUNDS PURSUANT TO AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND THE CITY OF DES MOINES, AND APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines Fire Department desires to participate in the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT) Payment Program that allows publicly owned or operated emergency ground ambulance transportation providers to receive supplemental payments that cover the difference between a provider's actual cost per GEMT transport and the Medicaid base payment, mileage and other sources of reimbursement; and

WHEREAS, participation in the GEMT Payment Program requires an intergovernmental transfer of funds to the Iowa Department of Human Services (IDHS) from the City in order to provide the non-federal share of reconciled cost reimbursement amount for the uncompensated Medicaid cost associated with GEMT; and

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2024, by Roll Call No. 24-1576, the City Council approved the Intergovernmental Transfer of Public Funds Agreement Between the Iowa Department of Human Services and the City of Des Moines for the time period between July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has been advised by IDHS that the City will be billed monthly per such Agreement covering the time period of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has further received the Intergovernmental Transfer of Public Funds Agreement Between the Iowa Department of Human Services and the City of Des Moines for the time period between July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of the Fire Department recommends transfer of such funds to IDHS covering the time period of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 in compliance with the terms of the Intergovernmental Transfer of Public Funds Agreement Between the Iowa Department of Human Services and the City of Des Moines, and further recommends approval of the new Agreement for the time period between July 1, 2026 and June 30, 2027.

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

1. The transfer to the Iowa Department of Human Services per the agreed-upon billed amount for the time period of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 is hereby approved and the Fire Chief is hereby authorized to approve such transfers of funds and the Finance Director is authorized and directed to authorize such transfers as will be required for the non-federal share during the remainder of the term of the current Intergovernmental Transfer of Public Funds Agreement between the Iowa Department of Human Services and the City of Des Moines.
2. The Intergovernmental Transfer of Public Funds Agreement between the Iowa Department of Human Services and the City of Des Moines for the time period between July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027 is



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hereby approved, and the Fire Chief is authorized and directed to execute and administer said Agreement on behalf of the City.

(Council Communication 25-416)

Moved by Gatto to adopt.

Second by Voss.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Glenna K. Frank

Glenna K. Frank

Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN	✓			
SIMONSON	✓			
VOSS	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
GATTO	✓			
TOTAL	7			
MOTION CARRIED	APPROVED			

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.

Connie Boesen

Mayor

Laura Baumgartner

City Clerk