



Date September 29, 2025

**APPROVING NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH  
POLK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE DISPATCH CAPABILITIES FOR  
FIRE STATION ALERTING TO DES MOINES FIRE DEPARTMENT STATION #4**

**WHEREAS**, Fire Station alerting for the Des Moines Police Department (DMPD) and Des Moines Fire Department (DMFD) currently uses an automated system incorporating audio, visual, and digital notifications integrated with a Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) system in the City's 911 Emergency Communications Center to alert DMFD and EMS personnel of emergency calls; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's Deputy Chief Information Officer for Public Safety Technology, DMPD, and DMFD wish to evaluate a U.S. Digital Designs Phoenix G2 Station Alerting System owned by Polk County Iowa, through its Sheriff's Office, for initial use at Fire Station #4 and potential extension to other DMFD Stations throughout the City, and the Polk County Sheriff's Office has offered to allow the DMPD and DMFD to access and use its Phoenix G2 system for this evaluation at no cost during the Fire Station #4 trial period; and

**WHEREAS**, the Deputy Chief Information Officer for Public Safety Technology, the Des Moines Police Chief, and the Des Moines Fire Chief recommend negotiation and execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Polk County Sheriff's Office setting forth the parties' obligations with respect to the Fire Station #4 trial.

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

1. The Deputy Chief Information Officer for Public Safety Technology, the Des Moines Police Chief, and the Des Moines Fire Chief, and their respective designees, are authorized and directed to negotiate a Memorandum of Understanding with the Polk County Sheriff's Office regarding trial use of the U.S. Digital Designs Phoenix G2 Station Alerting System for Fire Station #4.
2. Following negotiation and approval as to form by the Legal Department, the City Manager is authorized and directed to sign said Memorandum of Understanding, and the City Manager's Office, Public Safety Technology Division is authorized and directed to administer said Agreement for compliance.

(Council Communication No. 25- 372)

Moved by Gatto to adopt.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Glenna K. Frank

Glenna K. Frank

Deputy City Attorney

Second by Voss.

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
SIMONSON	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
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 MayorLaura Baumgartner City Clerk