ORDINANCE NO. 15,879

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, 2000, adopted by Ordinance No. 13,827, passed June 5, 2000, as heretofore amended, by amending Section 94-196, relating to opening of bids.

Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa:

Section 1. That the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, 2000, adopted by Ordinance No. 13,827, passed June 5, 2000, as heretofore amended, is hereby amended by amending Section 94-196, relating to opening of bids, as follows:

Sec. 94-196. Opening of bids.

The city engineer or in his or her absence the deputy city engineer shall preside at the public opening convened to open and announce the amount of the bids for public improvements. The sufficiency and compliance of the bid security to the bid requirements shall be determined before the bid is opened. Those bids submitted with insufficient or noncompliant bid security shall not be opened, read or announced. After the bid is opened, it shall be reviewed by the engineering representative for its conformity with the city's invitation to the bidders and bid requirements. Thereafter all bids determined to be sufficient shall be read by the engineering representative. The reading of a bid or the reading of a bid under advisement shall not operate as a waiver of any defects or deficiencies in the bid or in the bid security, and the city council may reject any bid if it is determined prior to the council's acceptance thereof that the bid or bid security is insufficient. The bid tabulation submitted to the city council shall include a brief description of such defect or irregularity. The city council may thereafter waive any and all such defects or irregularities upon determining such waiver to be in the best interest of the city.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

FORM APPROVED:

Kathleen Vanderpool Deputy City Attorney

T. M. Franklin Cownie, Mayor

Attest: I, P. Kay Cmelik, City Clerk of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance (Roll Call No. 20-0591), passed by the City Council of said City at a meeting held April 8, 2020 signed by the Mayor on April 8, 2020 and published and provided by law in the Des Moines Register on April 17, 2020. Authorized by Publication Order No. 11137.

P. Kay Cmelik, City Clerk