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Agenda Item Number

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Date June 5, 2006

APPROVING AN EXCEPTION TO THE PROCUREMENT ORDINANCE COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS FOR GOOD CAUSE AND APPROVING PAYMENT TO ALEXANDER OPEN SYSTEMS FOR ENGINEERING, DESIGN, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE NETWORK UPGRADE TO THE FIBER AND WIRELESS NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines has received an independent assessment of the stability and security of the fiber and wireless network infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the independent assessment revealed the need for a comprehensive network upgrade to ensure the security, reliability, and comprehensive network monitoring of network infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Alexander Open Systems is uniquely qualified to provide engineering, design, and implementation services for the network upgrade; and

WHEREAS, AOS staff who are certified by the City's network hardware and software vendor will perform required tasks for both the fiber optics and wireless networks, resulting in expenses of \$240,000; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Information Officer recommends that the above described procurement be exempted from the competitive bidding requirements for good cause shown, pursuant to Section 2-710(a) of the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA:

1. That good cause has been shown to exempt the procurement of network engineering services from the Procurement Ordinance competitive bidding requirements.
2. That the City Council hereby accepts and approves the procurement of services for network engineering and payment to Alexander Open Systems, 6592 S. 118th Street, Omaha, Nebraska, 68137, in the amount of \$240,000.00

(Council Communication No. 06- 334)

MOVED BY _____ TO ADOPT.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ann DiDonato
Ann DiDonato, Assistant City Attorney

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_____ Mayor				

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, 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.

_____ City Clerk