

**Date** June 26, 2023

## SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF IOWA FOR THE IOWA THRIVING COMMUNITIES DESIGNATION

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2023, the State of Iowa announced the Iowa Thriving Communities designation; and

WHEREAS, the State is seeking communities that:

- have current plans and processes that encourage and facilitate the construction and renovation of affordable and workforce housing;
- are going above and beyond as ambassadors for housing in their communities, leveraging • innovative methods to attract housing opportunities for all income levels;
- are using their resources to strategically invest in housing in their communities; and
- have developed partnerships with employers to strengthen and invest in the community; and •

WHEREAS, development projects proposed in cities with the Iowa Thriving Communities designation, as determined by the State of Iowa, are eligible for additional points under the competitive Federal Housing Tax Credit and/or Workforce Housing Tax Credit programs; and

WHEREAS, support from the Mayor, City Council, and City Staff are required in order to continue with the application, due on July 17, 2023.

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

- 1. The aforementioned proposed application to the State of Iowa is hereby authorized to be submitted when completed.
- 2. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign any agreements, as reviewed and approved by the legal department, that may result from approval of the designation.
- 3. The City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to sign and submit the application and related materials to the State.

(Council Communication Number 23- **316**)

Moved by to adopt

Second by

FORM APPROVED:

/s/ Gary D. Goudelock Jr.

Gary D. Goudelock Jr. Assistant City Attorney



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CERTIFICATE
URA BAUMGARTNER, City Clerk of said ereby certify that at a meeting of the City I of said City of Des Moines, held on the date, among other proceedings the above opted.
<b>FNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my</b> nd affixed my seal the day and year first written.

Mayor