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APPROVING NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT TO TERMS ON THE URBAN DESIGN REVIEW BOARD'S SKYWALK COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Section 102-360 of the Des Moines Municipal Code creates a five member Skywalk Committee as a subcommittee of the Urban Design Review Board, with duties that are established under Section 102-322 of the Des Moines Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, Nominees for appointment to that Committee are made by the Urban Design Review Board, which shall appoint 2 members to the Skywalk Committee from among its members, and by the Des Moines Skywalk Association, which nominates the other three Skywalk Committee members; and

WHEREAS, the Skywalk Committee has vacancies in two of the three positions nominated by the Des Moines Skywalk Association, both of which were occasioned by completion of terms of the incumbents in those positions; and

WHEREAS, one of these positions is proposed to be filled by a new appointment, and the other is proposed to be filled by re-appointment; and

WHEREAS, the Des Moines Skywalk Association has nominated Chad Bentzinger for a new appointment to fill the position of business representative and has nominated for re-appointment Karen Sol as the Association Board representative; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-1049(d) of the Municipal Code establishes a residency requirement for City boards and commissions, but provides that the City Council may waive the residency requirement if the council determines that no qualified city resident is available for appointment to a particular seat; and

WHEREAS, at time of nomination, Mr. Bentzinger was a Des Moines resident, and although he has since moved his residence to Ankeny, he remains employed by Nationwide, which was the specific basis of his qualification for this committee position, and he desires to serve the citizens of Des Moines in this position; and

WHEREAS, both nominees are subject to approval by the City Council.

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

1. The City Council hereby finds no qualified resident of the City of Des Moines is available for the business representative position on the Skywalk Committee, and that

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- Chad Bentzinger, as an employee of Nationwide, meets the qualifications for appointment to a three year term as a member of the Skywalk Committee; and
2. The City Council hereby finds that Karen Sol, as the Skywalk Association Board member, meets the qualifications for appointment to a three year term as a member of the Skywalk Committee; and
 3. That Chad Bentzinger and Karen Sol are hereby appointed to the Skywalk Committee.

Moved by Boesen to adopt.

FORM APPROVED: Judy K Parks-Kruse
 Judy K. Parks-Kruse
 Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
BOESEN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
GRAY	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	7			

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

J. M. Franklin Cownie
 Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, P. Kay Cmelik, 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.

P. Kay Cmelik
 City Clerk