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Date January 25, 2021

RETENTION OF OUTSIDE COUNSEL

WHEREAS, Des Moines Police Officer Ryan Steinkamp has been sued along with the City of Des Moines, the police chief, and another police officer in United States District Court; and

WHEREAS, the City is obligated under Iowa Code Section 670.8 to defend its officers and employees; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the City to obtain outside counsel to represent Officer Steinkamp; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Hugh J. Cain has agreed to represent him.

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

That Hugh J. Cain of the law firm Hopkins and Huebner, P.C., 2700 Grand Ave., Suite 111, Des Moines, Iowa 50312-5215, be and is retained by the City of Des Moines for the purpose of representing Des Moines Police Officer Ryan Steinkamp. Such retention is at the rate of \$150.00 per hour plus reasonable expenses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the attorney is to provide detailed billing for such services and payment for such services may be periodic. The Finance Director is authorized to pay for such services and the City Attorney shall report such payments to the City Council on a quarterly basis.

Moved by Boesen to adopt.

Approved as to Form: /s/: Carol J. Moser

Carol J. Moser, Deputy 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