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WHEREAS, the City Treasurer is responsible for managing and investing the City's funds in accordance with the investment policy approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City's investment portfolio consists of two major categories: pooled cash and investments and non-pooled cash and investments.

WHEREAS, previous Treasurer's Reports have been received and filed on Roll Calls 08-1329, 08-1858, 09-115 and 09-648.

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

That the attached Quarterly Treasurer's Report as of June 30, 2009 is hereby received and filed.

(copy attached)

MOVED BY _____ to receive and file.

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
KIERNAN				
HENSLEY				
MAHAFFEY				
MEYER				
VLASSIS				
TOTAL				

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.

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

Mayor

City Clerk

QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT

As of June 30, 2009

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**Quarterly Treasurer's Report
As of June 30, 2009**

Background

In accordance with the City's investment policy, State law, and Federal arbitrage and grant regulations, the Finance Director/Treasurer manages the City's funds as follows:

"It is the policy of the City of Des Moines to invest public funds not currently needed in a manner which will provide protection of principal, meet the daily cash flow demands of the City and provide market returns."

Therefore, the primary objectives, in priority order, of the investment activities are:

1. Safety of principal
2. Liquidity
3. Return on investments

(Source: Investment Policy of the City of Des Moines, effective May 2006)

Purpose

This report is intended to permit City Council and the public to monitor the Treasurer's compliance with the three objectives stated above.

Safety of Principal

The first two pages of the report (pie graph of "Portfolio Composition" and "Investment Definitions") provide information with which to assess the safety of the City's principal.

As of June 30, 27.6 percent of the \$183.1 million total portfolio was invested in U.S. government agency securities (Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Federal National Mortgage Association, and Farm Credit Administration), which are backed by the implied or moral obligation of the U.S. Government. 46.5 percent of the portfolio was invested in certificates of deposit issued by Iowa banks that have the backing of the State Sinking Fund

Liquidity

The City's portfolio is divided into two major categories: pooled cash and investments, and non-pooled cash and investments. The pooled cash and investments contain the City's day-to-day operating funds. These investments are relatively short-term, to reflect their needed availability. This is apparent at the bottom of the report labeled "Pooled Portfolio Detail." The column labeled "Days-Purchase to Maturity" shows this \$164.4 million portion of the portfolio to have an average maturity of 174 days.

The other major category of the City's portfolio is non-pooled cash and investments. This category contains investments purchased specifically for, and earning interest for only, a particular fund. Bond proceeds, debt service reserve funds, and bond sinking funds for enterprises like the Airport, Sewer System, and Parking System, are the main components of non-pooled cash and investments. The permanent cemetery

maintenance fund and special assessments are also included in this category. These investments are much longer term than the pooled category described in the preceding paragraph. The last line on the second page of the report labeled "Non-Pooled Portfolio Detail" reveals that the average maturity of the \$18.6 million of investments in this category is 431 days.

Return on investments

The final two pages of this report are line graphs showing, respectively, the pooled cash and investments portfolio yield and the non-pooled cash and investments portfolio yield—both for fifteen months, and both compared with two benchmarks.

For the pooled portfolio, with its current average maturity of 174 days, the two benchmarks displayed are the 180-day Treasury bill and the one-year Treasury note. For the non-pooled portfolio, with its current average maturity of 431 days, the two benchmarks displayed are the two-year Treasury note and the three-year Treasury note yields.

Generally, because the City uses a "buy-and-hold" approach to investing, the portfolio yields will lag the market. Thus, in times of rising interest rates the yield on the City's portfolio will probably not go up as fast as the benchmark. Conversely, in times of declining interest rates, the yield on the City's portfolio will probably not go down as fast as the benchmark.

