

**RESOLUTION NO. 1205**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, WASHINGTON,** supporting King County Proposition No. 1 Regular Property Tax Levy for Automated Fingerprint Identification System Services (AFIS).

**WHEREAS,** AFIS is a regional program that for the past 24 years has provided enhanced fingerprint technology and services to local law enforcement agencies in King County, and

**WHEREAS,** the AFIS Program promotes efficiency and effectiveness in law enforcement through regional sharing of services and has proven itself to be an invaluable tool for information sharing and criminal identification, and

**WHEREAS,** without sustained funding, the responsibility for funding criminal identification would revert to each local city's police department, placing an additional fiscal burden on cities, and

**WHEREAS,** the current levy that funds the AFIS Program expires at the end of 2012 and therefore needs to be renewed, and

**WHEREAS,** this levy is not a new tax but a replacement tax, and will allow for the continued funding of the AFIS Program for a six-year period and create a reserve fund for an AFIS lab replacement and for mobile fingerprinting, and

**WHEREAS,** supporting King County's levy for funding AFIS is of paramount importance to the health and well-being of our community, and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council and members of the public have been afforded equal opportunity for expression of opposing views, and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Des Moines strongly supports King County's Levy for the funding of AFIS; now therefore,

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

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The Des Moines City Council urgently calls upon the citizens of the Des Moines community to support the passage of King County Proposition No. 1 Regular Property Tax Levy for Automated Fingerprint Identification System Services (AFIS) on the November 6, 2012 general election ballot.

**ADOPTED BY** the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Washington this 13th day of September, 2012 and signed in authentication thereof this 13th day of September, 2012.




MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Assistant City Attorney

ATTEST:



City Clerk