

RESOLUTION NO. 20-252

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO SUBMITT AN US ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) BROWNFIELDS CLEANUP GRANT**

- WHEREAS, EPA established the Brownfields Cleanup Grant Program and has announced funding availability under said Program; and
- WHEREAS, the City is an eligible applicant with a proven track record of successfully implementing funding under said Program; and
- WHEREAS, the former Reliance Battery Factory located at 813 22nd Avenue has known contamination and presents a health hazard to Council Bluffs residents; and
- WHEREAS, the cleanup is associated with demolition, acquisition and contamination from years of the manufacturing of lead batteries and will be required for redevelopment; and
- WHEREAS, the US EPA Brownfields Cleanup Grant program is a source of funding to cleanup existing contaminants; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the request and found it to be in the best interest of the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFSS, IOWA:**

Section 1. The City staff and Mayor is hereby authorized to prepare and submit a US EPA Brownfields Cleanup Grant Program application in the amount of \$500,000 to assist with the removal of hazardous conditions at the former Reliance Battery Factory.

Section 2. The Council hereby authorizes staff to accept the award if granted and sign necessary agreements to execute an award.

ADOPTED
AND
APPROVED:

October 12, 2020

Matthew J. Walsh

Mayor

ATTEST:

Jodi Quakenbush

City Clerk