

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
DES MOINES, IOWA

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 96-287
JULY 10, 1996 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
KAWASAKI JET SKI— GRAY'S LAKE PARK	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	DONALD TRIPP, DIRECTOR PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

SYNOPSIS —

Struthers Brothers Kawasaki-Suzuki dealership has agreed to donate, at no cost to the City, the use of a Kawasaki Jet Ski at Gray's Lake Park through Memorial Day, 1996. The Jet Ski will be used as a rescue craft, to assist with boat towing, and for Gray's Lake's boating instructional program. The City must sign a Hold Harmless Agreement with Struthers Brothers and a Loan Agreement with Kawasaki Motor, Corp., U.S.A.

FISCAL IMPACT —

No fiscal impact to the City.

RECOMMENDATION —

Staff recommends approval of the Hold Harmless Agreement and the Loan Agreement.

BACKGROUND —

The Des Moines Park and Recreation Department operates Gray's Lake beach concession, public swimming, sailboat, canoe and pedal boat rentals and boating instruction programs. The Department owns a rescue boat that it uses for towing water craft and assisting boating instruction. However, this rescue craft is not ideally suited for these purposes, and staff previously determined that a Jet Ski would be a better alternative. Further, the spare motor and regular motor need repair, and it is not economically feasible to repair the motors. Because an immediate need exists for the rescue craft's replacement, Struthers Brothers has agreed to donate a Kawasaki Jet Ski for rescue assistance and boating instruction at no cost for the remainder of the season.

To accept this donated Jet Ski, the City must enter into a Loan Agreement with Kawasaki Motor Corp., U.S.A., and to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement with Struthers Brothers Kawasaki-Suzuki dealership.