

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER  
DES MOINES, IOWA**

**CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 97-170  
APRIL 7, 1997 AGENDA**

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
EMERGENCY PURCHASE— AUTO-INDUSTRIAL MACHINE SERVICE	RESOLUTION ORDINANCE ◆ RECEIVE/FILE	KEVIN RIPER FINANCE DIRECTOR

**SYNOPSIS —**

A purchase order was issued to Auto-Industrial Machine Service, 510 SW Third Street, Ankeny, Iowa, for repair of the Franklin Stormwater Pump.

**FISCAL IMPACT —**

Repair is not to exceed \$12,000. Funds are available from Engineering, Stormwater Utility, 070367-DSM Storm Pump Stations.

**RECOMMENDATION —**

Receive and file.

**BACKGROUND —**

The stormwater pump located in Central Place at the Wastewater Reclamation Facility Franklin Stormwater Station is in need of repair and was removed from the station and sent to Auto-Industrial Machine Service Co., a knowledgeable and reliable company, for an estimate of repairs. It was determined that machine work was required on the internal guide bushings that are no longer manufactured or readily available. Since March through June are the major months in which flood control is needed, the repairs must be expedited.

In order to provide for the immediate repair, the Engineering Department requested the Purchasing Agent to obtain the City Manager's approval for an operating emergency. Under paragraph 2.88 (b) of the Municipal Code, the City Manager may authorize the Purchasing Agent to purchase in the open market without filing a requisition, estimate and without advertisement, any supplies or materials for immediate delivery to meet bona fide operating emergencies if individual amounts do not exceed \$25,000. The City Manager approved the operating emergency on March 20, 1997.

The City Manager is required to formally communicate the emergency expenditure to the City Council.