



**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

**ITEM \_\_\_\_\_**

**98-216**

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

**AGENDA:**  
JUNE 1, 1998

**SYNOPSIS –**

On May 19, 1998, the City received bids for the Sec Taylor Stadium Irrigation project. No bids were received on this project.

**SUBJECT:**  
SEC TAYLOR  
STADIUM  
IRRIGATION

**FISCAL IMPACT —**

There is sufficient funding in CIP Account Code 603241, Page 239, Sec Taylor Stadium Maintenance and Repair, for this project.

**TYPE:**  
***RESOLUTION***  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE

**SUBMITTED BY:**  
HAROLD SMITH  
CITY ENGINEER

**RECOMMENDATION —**

**Authorize this project to be rebid.**

**BACKGROUND —**

This project was advertised in The Des Moines Register on May 6, 1998, and May 13, 1998. Plans were also sent to the Plan Rooms in Omaha, Cedar Rapids, and Des Moines.

A total of five contractors had requested bid documents—two as prime bidders.

The following is the staff’ s response explaining possible reasons for not receiving any bids:

Telephone calls were made to plan holders and other contractors listed in the telephone book as irrigation contractors. Several contractors indicated they were too busy to have time to bid. Two contractors said they don’ t install Toro equipment—which was specified. Two contractors indicated they will bid only irrigation work and this project included plumbing work. One contractor said he didn’ t know about the

project and would have bid had he been aware of it.

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