



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

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

98-342

SYNOPSIS —

AGENDA:
AUGUST 17, 1998

SUBJECT:
WOODLAND PARK,
CHANGE ORDER
NO. 3

At the request of the Park and Recreation Department, a change order in the amount of \$30,607 has been negotiated with R.G. Elder & Son Company, Jared R. Elder, President, 5088 East University, Des Moines, Iowa. The change order is for the construction of an open air shelter and paving work at Belle Turner Park, which is located at East 8th Street and East Madison Avenue.

TYPE:
RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

FISCAL IMPACT –

SUBMITTED BY:
HAROLD SMITH
CITY ENGINEER

Funds are available in the 1998-99 Capital Improvements Program, Index Code 603746, Neighborhood Park Improvements to be transferred to Index Code 601948, Chamberlain Park Sale and Replacement.

RECOMMENDATION –

Approve Change Order No. 3 with R.G. Elder & Son Company.

BACKGROUND –

On June 1, 1998, by Roll Call No. 98-1771, the Mayor and City Council awarded a contract to R.G. Elder for the construction of Woodland Park. Construction of Woodland Park is now underway. The project is expected to be completed this fall. City Council approval to amend the contract with R.G. Elder to construct an open air shelter at Belle Turner Park is being requested by the Park and Recreation Department for two specific reasons:

- The cost to construct the Belle Turner Park shelter is a good price based on the competitive bid two months ago at

Woodland Park for the exact same structure. The contractor has maintained the cost to build the shelter for this project.

- By approving this change order, we can assure this project will be completed during the current construction season. If we rebid the Belle Turner Park shelter as a separate project, we cannot assure the project can be completed this season.

The addition of an open air shelter at Belle Turner Park was requested by the Highland Park Neighborhood Association more than a year ago. City staff responded to the request and budgeted this improvement in the Neighborhood Park Improvement account in the Capital Improvement Program. With participation from the neighborhood group, a site plan was prepared and presented to the Highland Park Community Action Association at their July 14, 1998 meeting. The plan was approved as presented and the group expressed their desire to have the shelter constructed this season if possible.