

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

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

99-026

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

JANUARY 25, 1999

In July 1998, the City applied for Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) Recreation Trails funding, and was successful in receiving \$299,337. It is requested the City Council authorize the Mayor to sign an Agreement with IDOT for funding toward the Four Mile Creek Trail project.

SUBJECT:

AUTHORIZATION
OF AN AGREEMENT
FOR FOUR MILE
CREEK TRAIL

FISCAL IMPACT -

The estimated cost for Phase III of the Four Mile Creek Trail project is \$1.4 million. Grant funding received to date totals \$549,337, including the State Trails grant. The remaining project expenses will need to be matched by City resources to complete the project. Money is allocated in the Fiscal Year (FY) 1999 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and requested in the Proposed FY2000 CIP Budget to complete this project.

TYPE:

**RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE**

RECOMMENDATION -

SUBMITTED BY:

Approval.

DONALD TRIPP
PARK AND
RECREATION
DIRECTOR

BACKGROUND -

On January 4, 1999, by Roll Call No. 99-34, City Council authorized the City Manager to acquire the necessary right-of-way for Phase III of the Four Mile Creek Trail project. On September 28, 1998, by Roll Call No. 98-2949, City Council approved a master plan for the Four Mile Creek Phase III project area, which generally outlined location and estimated costs for the project. On June 22, 1998, by Roll Call No. 98-2087, City Council directed staff to submit a State Trails grant application in the amount of \$500,000 to IDOT for the Four Mile Creek Trail project, Phase III.

The City was awarded a State Trails grant in September 1998, and staff from IDOT prepared an Agreement. The Legal Department has reviewed the Agreement and the content of the contract has been approved. Once the agreement has been signed, funding for the project will be available to begin development of Phase III of the Four Mile Creek Trail.

It is hopeful to conclude all land acquisition and right-of-way easements before the end of the year, to begin construction of the project by this Fall, and complete Phase III by the Fall of 2000.