

**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

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

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

**99-047**

**SYNOPSIS -**

**AGENDA:**

FEBRUARY 1, 1999

**SUBJECT:**

CENTRAL PLACE  
STORMWATER  
PUMP STATIONS

**TYPE:**

**RESOLUTION**  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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ACTING CITY  
ENGINEER

A purchase order was issued to Hydro Klean (Andrew W. Merial, President, 132 East Shurfine Drive, Ankeny, Iowa 50021) to clean the sand out of the three Central Place stormwater pump stations in anticipation of the wet spring weather. The scope of the work has increased dramatically and a sole source procurement is needed for the work to be completed on a timely basis.

**FISCAL IMPACT -**

There are sufficient funds in the City-wide Stormwater Utilities account, Index Code 365767.

**RECOMMENDATION -**

**Approval of the requisition for \$11,000 to Hydro Klean and authorizing the City Manager to have a purchase order issued.**

**BACKGROUND -**

The wet wells for the three Central Place stormwater pump stations are very difficult to access and clean. These stations were last cleaned as a result of the 1993 flood. The accumulation of sand was more than three times the estimated amount. The original Purchase Order No. 9900133 for \$9,000 was intended to complete all three stations and has been exhausted on the first station alone. This work is necessary to ensure the stations' operability with the spring rains. Standard operating procedures will now be put into place to have these stations cleaned annually to prevent this occurrence from happening.

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