



**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

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

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

**99-117**

**SYNOPSIS -**

**AGENDA:**

MARCH 22, 1999

On March 15, 1999, the City received two bids for Trash Removal Services at SCRUB locations per Bid No. G99-193. Waste Management of Iowa, 201 SE 18th St., Des Moines, Curtis Hill, President, was the lowest bidder.

**SUBJECT:**

BIDS ON TRASH  
REMOVAL  
SERVICES FOR  
SCRUB PROGRAM

**FISCAL IMPACT -**

Funding is currently available from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funded SCRUB project of \$56,500 and Solid Waste User Fees of approximately \$27,000. CDBG usually pays 68 percent of SCRUB costs each year with the remaining 32 percent of costs paid by the Public Works budget.

**TYPE:**

RESOLUTION  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE

**RECOMMENDATION -**

**Approve the low bid from Waste Management of Iowa for Trash Removal Services for the SCRUB Program.**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

JAMES M. GRANT  
COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT  
DIRECTOR

**BACKGROUND -**

The Community Development and Public Works Departments in cooperation with 39 Neighborhood Associations will be carrying out 26 SCRUB Saturdays in 1999. The first SCRUB Saturday is scheduled for April 10th.

Because of increased number of recognized neighborhood associations and the popularity and use of the SCRUB Neighborhood Clean-up Program, Bid No. G99-157 was issued on January 28, 1999, to clarify contractor performance requirements and to secure prices for SCRUB trash removal services. The bid included cost for roll-off containers, cost of compactor truck and driver (if requested by the City during a

particularly high volume SCRUB event), and the cost of tipping fees for trash and yard waste, as well as the cost of tire recycling.

On February 18, 1999, the City received a single bid for trash removal services. The bid from Artistic Waste Services, Inc., 1817 Euclid Ave., Des Moines, Anthony J. Colosimo, President, increased costs for roll-off containers by 48 percent when compared to previous years.

In an effort to find more competition and a lower cost for the City the sole source bid was rejected by the Purchasing Agent on March 1, 1999, by the request of the Community Development and Public Works Departments. A new bid was issued on March 2, 1999.

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1999 Projected Costs were made utilizing data from the 1998 SCRUB project. These projections follow:

Bid Opening 3/15/99

Artistic Waste Services, Inc. \$ 91,704

Waste Management of Iowa \$ 83,038

Bid Opening 2/18/99

Artistic Waste Services, Inc. \$ 96,254