

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

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

99-548

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

DECEMBER 20, 1999

The proposed resolution authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a contract with Warren County to undertake a joint comprehensive planning effort for the unincorporated area within Warren County that is of interest to the City.

SUBJECT:

AGREEMENT FOR
JOINT PLANNING
SERVICES WITH
WARREN COUNTY

FISCAL IMPACT -

The City would be obligated to pay not more than \$12,250 for the basic planning services itemized in the Exhibit A - Scope of Services. The City may incur additional expenses if it hereafter elects to request additional planning services.

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

RECOMMENDATION -

Approval.

SUBMITTED BY:

JIM GRANT,
COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT
DIRECTOR

BACKGROUND -

On March 22, 1999, by Roll Call No. 99-870, the City Council endorsed the efforts by the Mayor, City Manager, and Community Development Director to work with Warren County and the cities of Norwalk, Indianola, Carlisle, West Des Moines, and Cummings to undertake a joint planning effort for the boundary areas within and between the participating jurisdictions. Council further authorized and directed the Mayor, City Manager, and Community Development Director to continue working with Warren County and the other cities to undertake a joint planning effort.

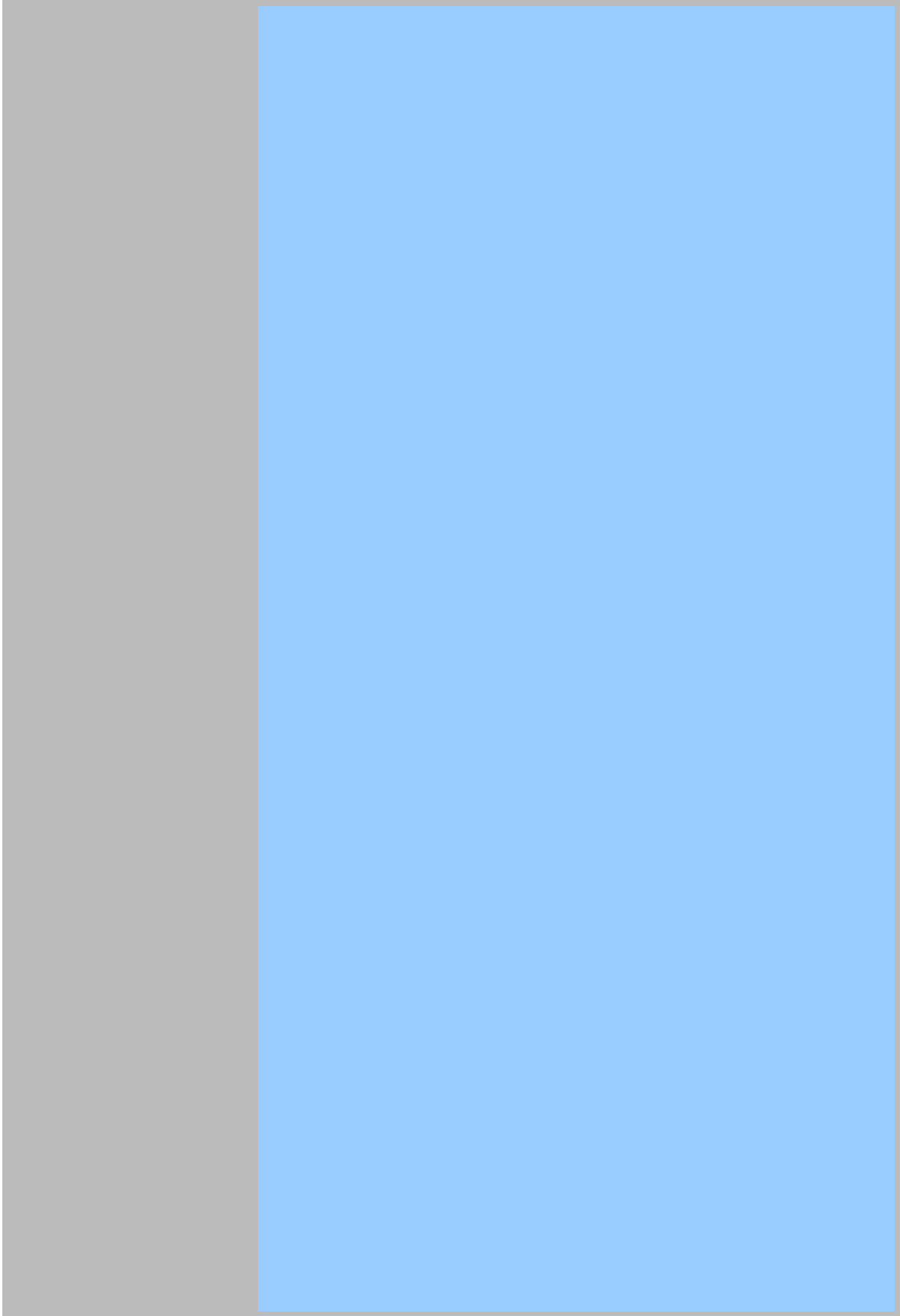
Warren County then tendered an agreement to the City whereby the City would contribute \$12,000 towards a joint planning effort that the County's planning consultant, Freilich, Leitner & Carlisle, would lead. After further discussions, staff

prepared a preliminary Agreement for Joint Planning Services that Council approved on December 6, 1999, by Roll Call No. 99-3715.

Warren County has indicated that it will sign the agreement if the City agrees to minor changes. The only substantial changes are an increase in the cost of \$250 (paid by each participating city) to cover the costs of an extra meeting with the County's planning consultant, and a change in the makeup of the Joint Planning Board to balance the City and County representation.

It is anticipated that similar agreements will be executed between Warren County and the cities of Norwalk, Indianola, Carlisle, West Des Moines and Cummings.

The resolution and roll call now before the City Council authorizes the Mayor to execute the Agreement for Joint Planning Services with the amendments Warren County requires.





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