

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

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

00-001

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

JANUARY 3, 2000

SUBJECT:

OUT-OF-STATE
TRAVEL

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

KEVIN RIPER
FINANCE
DIRECTOR

Jim Grant, (1-R), Community Development Director, Kathy Kahoun, (0-R), Neighborhood Development Administrator, to Washington, DC, from April 13, 2000 to April 19, 2000, to attend the American Planning Association conference on Neighborhood Revitalization. This conference represents a unique opportunity for Neighborhood Planners to expand their knowledge of alternative funding sources, housing strategies, and implementation methods.

Bob Schulte, (0-R), Special Assistant Federal Funding, to Washington, DC, from January 26, 2000 to January 30, 2000, to attend the NCDA conference to learn what Congress has in store for community development programs in 2000; exchange ideas with fellow community development practitioners; learn how community development practitioners can have a profound impact on the 2000 Census; and shape community development policy for the upcoming year.

Eric Anderson, (2-R), City Manager, to Washington, DC, from January 5, 2000 to January 7, 2000, to attend a meeting of the Mapping Sciences Committee. Mr. Anderson was appointed to the Mapping Sciences Committee, an initiative of the National Research Council and National Academy of Sciences. His expenses will be paid for by the Academy. Although the cost of this trip does not require approval under Council policy, Council authorization is requested.

FISCAL IMPACT -

Cost of travel is \$4,361.95, \$1351.61 and \$0 respectively. Funding for these trips is provided for in the 1999-2000 Operating Budget under Index Code CDD010100, page 6-33; and CDD049900, page 6-33.

The total expended on City travel from July 1, 1999 through

January 3, 2000, is \$148,279.42; the total amount budgeted for City travel is approximately \$370,000.

RECOMMENDATION -

Approval.

BACKGROUND -

On January 20, 1992, by Roll Call No. 92-214, the City Council approved a revision to the policy for travel authorization requests. Such revision requires trips that exceed three days and \$1,250 cost to be approved by the Council. The number in parenthesis indicates the total number of trips previously authorized for that individual for the current budget year; R represents resident and NR represents non-resident.

