

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

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

00-045

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

FEBRUARY 7, 2000

SUBJECT:

**EXPENDITURE
FROM FEMA
GRANT FOR GIS
DEVELOPMENT**

TYPE:

**RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE**

SUBMITTED BY:

**RUSSELL
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ACTING
ASSISTANT
CITY MANAGER**

As a Project Impact community, Des Moines received a Hazard Mitigation Grant of \$300,000. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approved the plan submitted by staff for the expenditures towards hazard mitigation. As part of the plan, a Geographical Information System (GIS) is to be developed by the Information and Technology Department (IT) to assist in Hazard Mitigation efforts. The expenditures are for computer hardware designed to utilize GIS software.

FISCAL IMPACT -

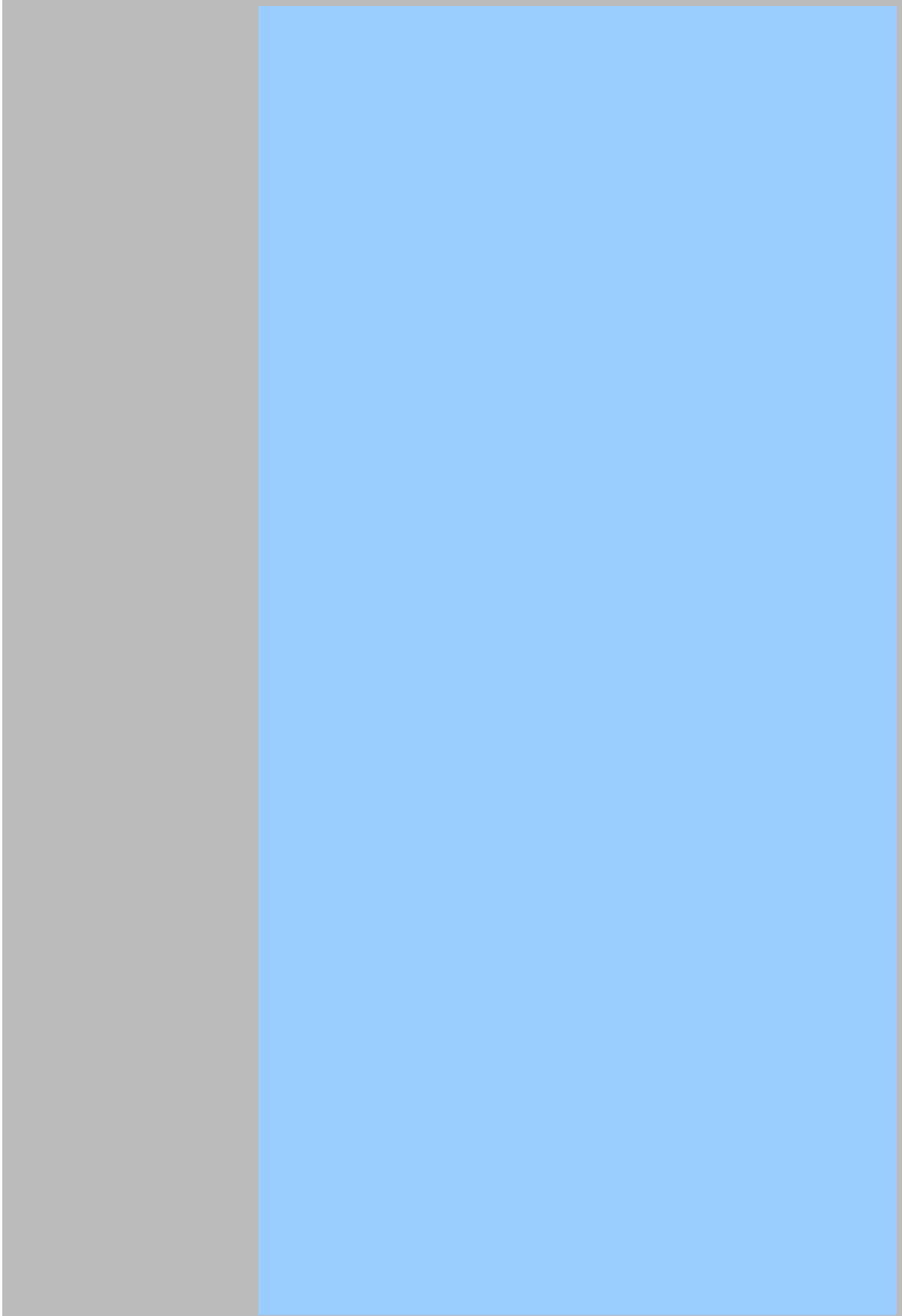
Expenditure of \$49,428 from the Project Impact Grant

RECOMMENDATION -

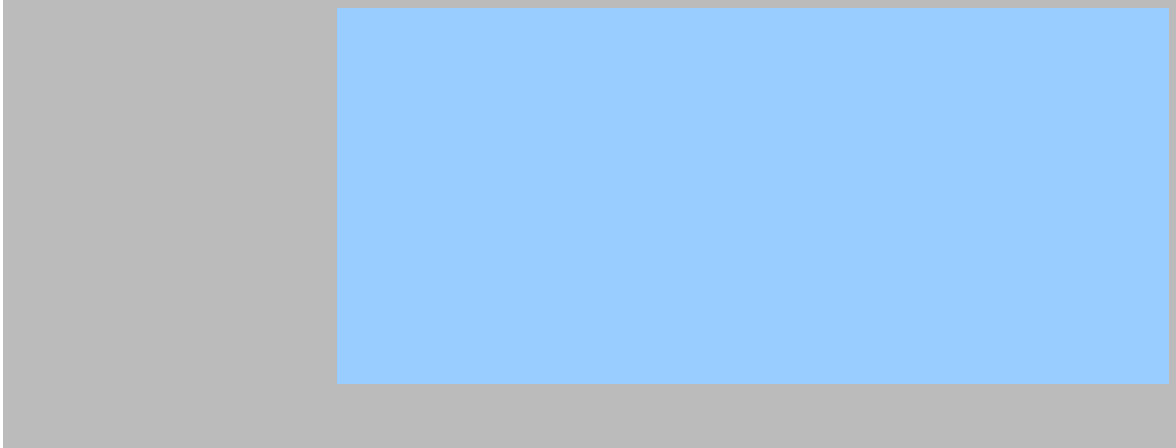
Approval.

BACKGROUND -

On February 1, 1999, Council approved an application to FEMA for a Project Impact Hazard Mitigation Grant. Subsequently, FEMA approved the application making Des Moines a Project Impact Community. As a Project Impact community, Des Moines was awarded a \$300,000 grant for hazard mitigation. The grant designates \$200,000 to buy structures located in the floodplain, \$50,000 for 1,000 weather radios to be distributed throughout the City, and \$50,000 for the further development of the GIS. The GIS can be used to identify future mitigation efforts and flood prone areas in the City.







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