CITY COUNCIL **COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA

00-114

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

MARCH 27, 2000

SUBJECT:

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR **RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION & RELOCATION ASSISTANCE**

Approving an agreement with Snyder & Associates, Inc. (Dennis L. Snyder, President, 501 SW Oralabor Road, Ankeny, Iowa) to provide professional services for the acquisition and relocation necessary to build the Indianola Avenue Connector.

FISCAL IMPACT -

Funding for these services in the amount of \$191,229 is included in the 1999-2000 Capital Improvements Program (CIP) budget.

RECOMMENDATION -

TYPE:

Approval.

RESOLUTION ORDINANCE

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BACKGROUND -

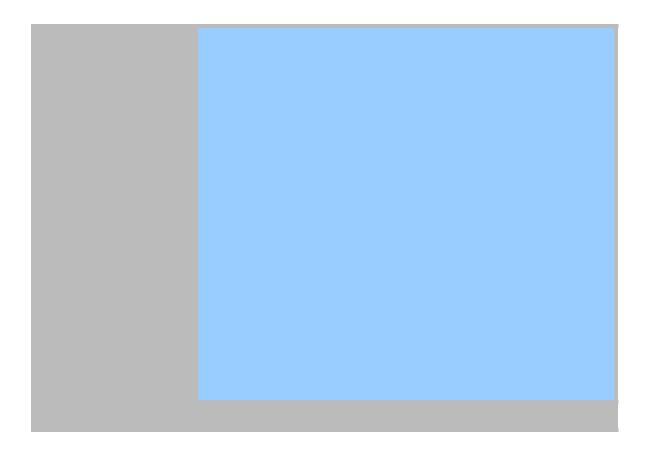
SUBMITTED BY:

FLOYD BENTZ, P.E. CITY ENGINEER

On January 3, 2000, by Roll Call No. 00-114, Council approved an agreement with the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) to build a new four-lane roadway that will extend diagonally from the SW 3rd Street Bridge over the Raccoon River to Indianola Avenue and SE 1st Street. The agreement allows for 80 percent of right-of-way and construction costs to be provided by IDOT up to a maximum of \$4,000,000.

Staff has recommended utilizing Snyder & Associates, Inc. as the consultant to perform right-of-way acquisition and relocation services. The current workload of the City's Rightof-Way staff is such that hiring of a consultant is necessary in order to maintain the project schedule. Three engineering firms were asked to present their firms capabilities in acquisition and

relocation. Two firms responded with presentations. Snyder & Associates, Inc. was selected by three staff members as being the most capable in completing this type of project.



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