



**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

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

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

**00-116**

**SYNOPSIS -**

**AGENDA:**

MARCH 27, 2000

In compliance with the City's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit, sampling and analysis of stormwater runoff must be conducted in four locations citywide. This sampling requires specialized procedures and analysis. Because of the specialized nature of this effort, the Engineering Department requested proposals from four firms that have experience in stormwater sampling.

**SUBJECT:**

SAMPLING AND  
ANALYSIS  
AGREEMENT WITH  
VEENSTRA AND  
KIMM, INC.

**FISCAL IMPACT -**

The funding for this agreement, \$26,870, is included in 99-00 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) page 271, Index Code 360248, Fund EN306, Organization ENG990000, Project/Grant STS002 (Storm Water NPDES Permit Application).

**TYPE:**

**RESOLUTION**  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE

**RECOMMENDATION -**

**Approval.**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

FLOYD BENTZ, P.E.  
CITY ENGINEER

**BACKGROUND -**

In May 1999, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) issued the City a Permit for Discharges from the City's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System. This comprehensive permit requires the City to implement Best Management Practices and sample Storm Water Runoff from four locations throughout the city. These locations are:

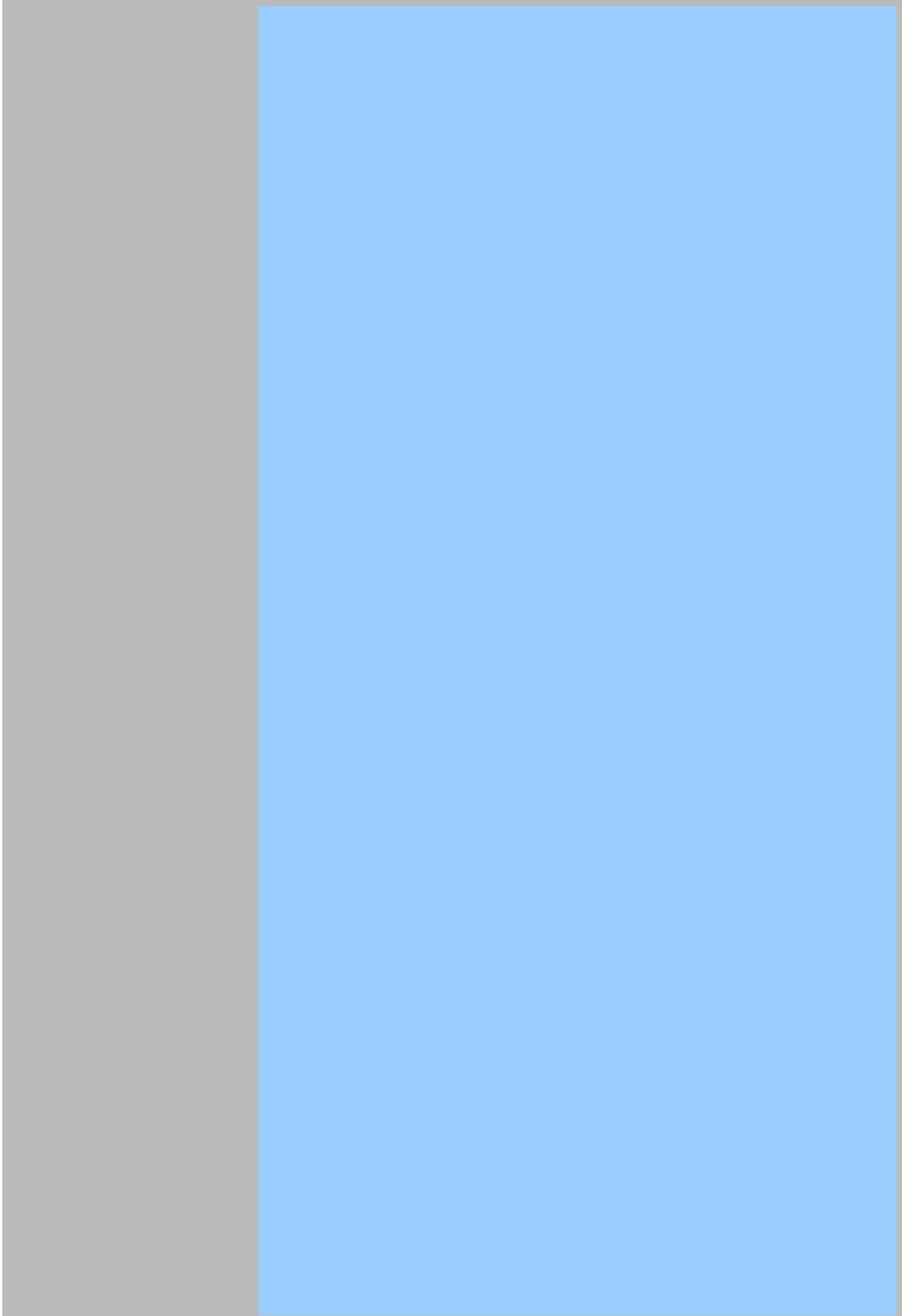
- East 37th Street, North of Sheridan
- 47th Street and Franklin Avenue
- 62nd Street and Douglas Avenue
- East of S.W. 30th Street at Valley Drive

The Engineering Department requested proposals from four firms that have experience in stormwater sampling. One proposal was received from Veenstra and Kimm, Inc. (3000 Westown Parkway, West Des Moines, IA 50266, H.R. Veenstra, Jr., Principal). In addition, the Engineering Department also asked Wastewater Reclamation Facility (WRF) personnel if they could provide these services. WRF staff determined that it would not be cost effective for their laboratory to perform the sampling required for permit compliance due to the wide variation in their operational task structure and those required to perform the sampling.











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