CITY COUNCIL ITEM COMMUNICATIO N: OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA 00-251 **SYNOPSIS** -Authorizing the sale of General Obligation (G.O.) Bonds to pay for the **AGENDA:** City's 2000-01 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). JUNE 5, 2000 The City will receive competitive bids from underwriters at 11:00 A.M., Monday, June 5, 2000. At tonight's City Council meeting, Council will be asked to award the sale to the firm or group of firms with the best bid **SUBJECT:** (lowest interest rate) and to authorize issuance of the bonds. SALE OF GENERAL **OBLIGATION** FISCAL IMPACT -**BONDS** The funding amounts for various capital projects are consistent with the 2000-01 CIP, adopted by the City Council on March 6, 2000, by Roll Call No. 00-681. Annual debt service on this year's G.O. Bond issue will **TYPE:** be paid, as usual, from: (i) the property tax debt service levy approved **RESOLUTION** by City Council and certified to the State; and (ii) tax increment funds, ORDINANCE as available. Annual debt service on the 20-year bond issue will be RECEIVE/FILE provided to Council in a separate communication on Monday, June 5, 2000, after bids are received. **SUBMITTED BY: RECOMMENDATION -KEVIN RIPER FINANCE** Authorize the sale of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2000D (tax-DIRECTOR exempt) and Taxable Series 2000E, in an aggregate par amount of \$24,950,000. **BACKGROUND** -The approved CIP calls for the following improvements to be financed with bond proceeds:

Series 2000 D (Tax-Exempt)

Projects Paid from Taxes

Bridge and Viaduct	\$ 148,134
Fire Prevention	2,130,947
Library Improvements	343,341
Municipal Improvements	948,908
Parks Improvements	3,755,3 <mark>4</mark> 7
Sidewalk Improvements	285,6 <mark>4</mark> 7
Street Improvements	4,665,341
Traffic Control Improvements	529,719
Neighborhood and Economic Development	2,061,517
Subtotal	\$14,868,901
Projects Paid from Tax Increment	
Parks Improvements	\$ 50,000
Street Improvements	2,090,000
Neighborhood and Economic Development	5,500,000
Subtotal	\$ 7,640,000
Total Projects, Series 2000D (Tax-Exempt)	\$22,508,901
Series 2000E - (Taxable)	
Projects Paid from Tax Increment	
Neighborhood and Economic Development	\$2,000,000
Total Projects, Series 2000E	2,000,000
Grand Total Projects, Series 2000D and E	\$24,508,901

Total issuance and contingency costs allocated to Series 2000D and 2000E are \$441,099-the majority of which is the underwriter's discount for selling the City's bonds-for a total sale of \$24,950,000. Attached are more detailed bond-sizing spreadsheets (three pages) and a list of the projects considered during each of the six public hearings on May 15, 2000 (four pages).

The structure of the bond issue is consistent with the City's debt management policy. There is narrow adherence to the City's selfimposed debt limit policy of 70 percent of the constitutional debt limit. Indeed, the projected three-year average debt margin touches the 30

percent level at the end of Fiscal Year 2000-01, as shown in the CIP document presented to Council in early January.

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