CITY COUNCIL ITEM **COMMUNICATION:** OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA 00-417 **SYNOPSIS** -An agreement has been proposed between the City and the Iowa **AGENDA:** Department of Transportation (IDOT) for restriping University **SEPTEMBER 11, 2000** Avenue from 31st Street to the 4800 block. This project would provide a continuous two-way left-turn lane. **SUBJECT:** FISCAL IMPACT -**IDOT AGREEMENT** FOR THE The total project cost is estimated to be \$230,000. The City will **RESTRIPING OF** provide design and construction administration services for the project. The cost for these services is estimated to be \$30,000. **UNIVERSITY** The estimated construction cost is \$200,000, which is proposed to AVENUE FROM 31ST STREET TO be fully funded by IDOT Traffic Safety Funds. IDOT has THE 4800 BLOCK prepared an agreement for the proposed improvement. **TYPE:** Funding for the design cost is shown in the current Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget, page TFC-4, City-Wide **RESOLUTION** Signals, Channelization, and School Crossing Protection **ORDINANCE** Program. RECEIVE/FILE **RECOMMENDATION -SUBMITTED BY:** Approval. FLOYD BENTZ, P.E. CITY ENGINEER **BACKGROUND** -On December 21, 1998, by Roll Call No. 98-3863, the City Council authorized the City Manager to submit an application to IDOT for Traffic Safety Funding to restripe University Avenue

between 31st Street and the 4800 block to a five-lane facility. This would provide two lanes in each direction, along with a two-

way left-turn lane. The existing off-peak parking would be allowed to remain, with the exception of areas near commercial

driveways and street intersections, where "corner clearance" parking restrictions would be implemented. Also included in the project is a traffic signal upgrading at the intersection of 42nd Street and University Avenue to include left-turning signals. No pavement widening is planned as part of this project.

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