



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

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

00-493

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

OCTOBER 23, 2000

Agreement for Professional Services between the City of Des Moines and Earth Tech, Inc. (Diane Creel, CEO, 100 W Broadway, Suite 5000, Long Beach, CA) for preliminary design of the paving, signals, railroad crossing, and related work on 11th and 12th Streets connector from Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway (MLK) to Cherry Street, in conjunction with the Allied project.

SUBJECT:

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES
AGREEMENT -
PRELIMINARY
DESIGN - MLK AND
CHERRY STREET

FISCAL IMPACT -

Compensation to the consultant for work covered by the Agreement shall be at a fixed fee of \$6,200 and cost of \$46,400 for a total not to exceed \$52,600. Funds are available from 11th and 12th Street connector from MLK to Cherry Street - Street Improvements - Index Code 484642, Account 521020, Fund CP038, Organization ENG990000, Project/Grant STR194, with a transfer of \$70,000 of General Obligation surplus from Iowa Air National Guard (IANG) Road Relocation, Account 521020, Fund CP038, Organization ENG990000, Project/Grant STR192. This surplus was a result of lower than anticipated construction costs.

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

RECOMMENDATION -

FLOYD BENTZ, P.E.
CITY ENGINEER

Approval of Agreement with Earth Tech, Inc.

BACKGROUND -

On March 3, 2000, by Roll Call No. 00-788(D), the City Council authorized the City Manager to continue with the design and to proceed with necessary activities associated with the Allied Agreement. As part of the Allied Agreement, 11th Street is to be closed and a crossover connector from the intersection of 11th Street and MLK to connect 11th Street into the 12th Street alignment is to be constructed. In order to meet the timelines established in the

Agreement, preliminary design of this connector must be started. This preliminary design will allow submission of a new railroad crossing design to the affected railroad and subsequent negotiations of crossing agreement. After the preliminary design is approved, a supplemental agreement for final design will be negotiated.

Earth Tech was selected as the consultant for this work due to the need to coordinate design changes with the MLK project. The intersection of MLK and 11th Street will also need to be modified to match proposed 11th and 12th Street changes. Earth Tech, Inc., is currently retained to do the MLK project design; therefore, the matching of grades and alignments requires utilizing the same consultant for both sections.