CITY COUNCIL **COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA

00-532

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

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 design of the paving, signals, railroad crossing, and related work on 15th and 16th Street Connector from Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway to Walnut Street.

NOVEMBER 20, 2000

SUBJECT:

FISCAL IMPACT -

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT -**PRELIMINARY DESIGN OF WORK** ON 15TH AND 16TH **STREET**

CONNECTOR FROM MARTIN LUTHER

KING, JR.

PARKWAY TO WALNUT STREET Compensation to the consultant for work covered by the Agreement shall be at a fixed fee of \$8,300, and cost of \$61,100 for a total not to exceed \$69,400. Funds are available from the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Index Code 484345, Account 521020, Fund CP038, Organization ENG990000, Project/Grant STR191 - Fifteenth Street Corridor Improvements.

RECOMMENDATION -

Approval.

TYPE:

BACKGROUND -

RESOLUTION

RECEIVE/FILE

ORDINANCE On June 5, 2000, by Roll Call No. 00-1639, the City Council authorized staff to proceed with the 15th Street Corridor

Improvements project in the CIP. The 15th Street Corridor has been identified as an important north/south street due to the closing of 16th

Street for the Meredith expansion. Future planned economic **SUBMITTED BY:**

development also depends on the 15th Street access to Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway. The connector street must be designed and built in

coordination with the Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway.

FLOYD BENTZ, P.E. CITY ENGINEER

> Earth Tech. Inc. was selected as the consultant for this work due to the need to coordinate design changes with the Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway project. The intersection of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Parkway and 16th Street will also need to be modified to match the proposed 15th and 16th Street Connector. Earth Tech, Inc. is currently retained to do the Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway project design; therefore, the matching of grades and alignments requires utilizing the same consultant for both projects.

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