## Meeting Agendas/Info

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION:			ITEM
01-388	OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA		
	SYNOPSIS -		
AGENDA:	Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Des		
JULY 23, 2001	Moines, the Des Moines Water Works Board, the Greater Des Moines Community Foundation, and the Ruan Center Corporation. The agreement will join the entities in participation on the Mayor's		
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Streetscape Task Force for the purposes of developing landscape		
MEMORANDUM OF	principles. These will guide streetscape improvements throughout the City and provide overall direction on pending streetscape projects.		
UNDERSTANDING - GREATER DES MOINES	The goal is to create continuity in landscape.		
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION	FISCAL IMPACT -		
	\$80,000 from following source:		
TYPE:  RESOLUTION	City of Des Moines	\$45,000	(\$20,000 from Municipal Improvements BLD058; \$10,000 from Parking System; and \$15,000 from Gateway)
ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	Ruan Center Corporation	\$20,000	
SUBMITTED BY:	Des Moines Water Works	\$15,000	
DONALD M. TRIPP PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR	The Greater Des Moines Community Foundation has agreed to assist by receiving donations from the entities, and by advancing these donated funds to pay costs to purchase professional services of a landscape architect.		
	RECOMMENDATION -		
	Approve the Memorandum of Understanding.		
	BACKGROUND -		

The Mayor's Streetscape Task Force is interested in establishing streetscape design principles for all curb to sidewalk rights-of-way, front doors to major municipal buildings, boulevard and medians, municipal parking lots and garages, and entry design to City parks and attractions. The study will include a review of current pending public planning projects to ensure that the developed concepts and design guidelines can be incorporated into these projects. This includes areas of the Fleur/Gateway Corridor (along Fleur Drive and Locust Avenue between the Airport and the Capitol, public areas surrounding the Des Moines Marriott and the adjacent Ruan Building, Des Moines City Hall and parking lot, and the parking garage at the intersection of 7th and Grand. The scope of work is to create a set of design guidelines, apply those guidelines to currently planned projects, and create three model project designs at City Hall, publicly-owned property adjacent to the Ruan buildings (Ruan Center and Des Moines Marriott), and the 7th and Grand Parking Garage. As these projects are in varying degrees of approved plans, the guidelines will be applied in a manner, which does not force change, which has already been approved by the City Council.