

## Meeting Agendas/Info

**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

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**01-441**

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

**AGENDA:**

AUGUST 20, 2001

**SYNOPSIS -**

Bridget Carberry, (0-R), Assistant Planner, to Cleveland, Ohio, from October 20, 2001 to October 26, 2001, to attend a training course that will teach fundamental financial skills needed to analyze Neighborhood Commercial Development projects.

**SUBJECT:**

OUT-OF-STATE  
TRAVEL

Cindy Fausch, (0-NR), Zoo Horticulture Technician, to Orlando, Florida, from September 22, 2001 to September 27, 2001, to attend the Association of Zoological Horticulture conference. This conference will include information on current horticulture applications and practices for zoo grounds. This information will be necessary to maintain the zoo facility as well as the New Discovery Center.

**TYPE:**

**RESOLUTION**  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE

Kathy Cross, (0-R), Zoo Attendant, to St Louis, Missouri, from September 5, 2001 to September 12, 2001, to attend the American Zoo Association Conference. This conference will provide information on skills necessary to maintain the highest level of veterinary care. The conference will also include animal nutrition and zoo educational programs.

**SUBMITTED BY:**

ALLEN MCKINLEY  
ACTING FINANCE  
DIRECTOR

Don Tripp, (0-R), Park and Recreation Director; Douglas Romig, (0-R), Park Services Manager; Christine Page, (0-R), Park and Recreation Business Manager; Brian Becker, (0-R), Park and Recreation Supervisor; Larry Edris, (0-NR), Park Planner; Suzette Jensen, (0-R), Park Board Member; and Gay Wilson, (0-R), Park Board Member, to Denver, Colorado, from October 2, 2001 to October 6, 2001, to attend the National Park and Recreation Association annual conference. The conference will provide networking with other parks departments to learn new ideas and regulations to improve operations. Don Tripp will attend special courses relating to rehabilitation and the role of the recreation center and how Denver Parks Department reconnected with the Platte River. Douglas Romig will attend a seminar in volunteer projection administration and management. Christine Page will attend special seminars on recreation and e-commerce, and community relations. Brian Becker will look at Denver sports & entertainment venues,

U.S. Olympic Training Center, U.S. Air Force Academy and Denver recreation centers. Larry Edris will look at how Denver reconnected to the South Platte River and take a tour of Aurora Wheel Park. Suzette Jensen and Gay Wilson will attend a seminar entitled, "What's New in Community Aquatics-Planning for Success".

Preston Daniels, (0-R), Mayor; and Richard Clark, (0-R), Deputy City Manager, to St. Etienne, France, from September 9, 2001 to September 14, 2001, to attend the 53rd Annual Economic Fair in our Sister City, St. Etienne, France. This trip will enable the participants to learn about the economical and technical issues of St. Etienne.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT -**

Cost of travel is \$1,921.30, \$1,700, \$2,000, \$9,017.50, \$2,200, and \$2,200 respectively. Funding for these trips is provided for in the 2001-2002 Operating Budget under Organizational Code CDD049900, page 8-23; Organizational Code PKS130000, page 19-49; Organizational Code PKS130000, page 19-49; Organizational Code HRS980100, page 13-15; Organizational Code MCC010000, page 18-6; and Organizational Code CMO010000, page 7-8. The total expended on City travel from July 1, 2001 through August 16, 2001 is \$51,274.76; the total amount budgeted for City travel is approximately \$346,000.

#### **RECOMMENDATION -**

**Approval.**

#### **BACKGROUND -**

On January 20, 1992, by Roll Call No. 92-214, the City Council approved a revision to the policy for travel authorization requests. Such revision requires trips that exceed three days and \$1,250 cost to be approved by the Council. The number in parentheses indicates the total number of trips previously authorized for that individual for the current budget year; R represents resident and NR represents non-resident.

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