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**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

01-467

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

AGENDA:

SEPTEMBER 20, 2001

SYNOPSIS -

Professional Services Agreement with Snyder & Associates, Inc. (Stephen P. Rowe, President, 501 S.W. Oralabor Road, Ankeny, Iowa 50021) for design and right-of-way services for the Easton Boulevard Detention Basin.

SUBJECT:

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES
AGREEMENT FOR
DESIGN AND
RIGHT-OF-WAY
SERVICES FOR
EASTON
BOULEVARD
DETENTION BASIN

FISCAL IMPACT -

Compensation to the consultant is not to exceed \$320,975. Funds for this agreement are provided for in the 2001-02/2006-07 Capital Improvements Program-Storm Sewer Improvements.

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

RECOMMENDATION -

Approval.

SUBMITTED BY:

FLOYD BENTZ, P.E.
CITY ENGINEER

BACKGROUND -

In January of 1997, the City Council approved the 7th Ward Ditch Flood Control Study prepared by Snyder & Associates. This study recommended that the existing wooden box between East University Avenue and Easton Boulevard be replaced and that a stormwater detention basin be constructed south of Easton Boulevard. The replacement of the wooden box from East University Avenue to Garfield Avenue was completed in 1999, and the replacement of the wooden box from Garfield Avenue to Cleveland Avenue is currently under construction. The replacement of the remainder of the wooden box is included in the 2001-02/2006-07 Capital Improvements Program.

During the 7th Ward Ditch Flood Control Study, the residents and neighborhood associations impacted by this watershed provided valuable input and were involved in identifying solutions to the flooding problems. In anticipation of the construction of the detention

basin, the property for the basin site was acquired during 1998. In October of 1999, an agreement with Snyder & Associates was approved by the City Council for the conceptual design and master plan of the detention basin. Because of their technical background on this project and their work with the affected residents, it was felt that they were best qualified to perform this work. During the study phase, the residents and neighborhood associations expressed a strong interest in having input into the design of the detention basin. A committee was formed to provide input on the desired elements and features to be included in the master plan. The committee included representatives from the ACCENT Neighborhood, Stormwater Utility, Traffic and Transportation, Park and Recreation, and Community Development. The committee met for over a year and developed a master plan for the detention basin that was approved by the City Council on January 22, 2001, by Roll Call No. 01-042. This agreement provides for final design and right-of-way acquisition for the detention basin. Because of their extensive involvement in the study and planning for this detention basin, Snyder & Associates was selected to perform the final design. Also, a number of easements will need to be acquired along the alignment of the outlet pipe from the detention basin to the reinforced concrete box storm sewer that is currently under construction.
