# CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION:

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## 02-172

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

#### SYNOPSIS -

#### **AGENDA:**

The Employee Assistance Program (Employee and Family Resources, Paul Hedquist, CEO, 505 5th Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa)

APRIL 8, 2002

has submitted its annual addendum to the existing contract with the City to provide assessment and referral counseling for City employees and family members. No increased costs over the previous year are required in this renewal. The addendum provides

for the same annual service fee as did the prior agreement.

## **SUBJECT:**

AGREEMENT WITH THE EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE

PROGRAM

(EMPLOYEE AND

FAMILY RESOURCES)

#### FISCAL IMPACT -

The cost of service for May 1, 2002 through April 30, 2003, is \$24,000 (\$12 per each of 2,000 employees). Funds are provided in the Employee Benefits Account of the Trust and Agency Fund. The portion of the Trust and Agency Levy associated with this benefit is \$0.005.

#### TYPE:

## **RESOLUTION** RECOMMENDATION -

ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE

Approval and authorization to execute a one-year renewal of the agreement.

### **SUBMITTED BY:**

#### **BACKGROUND** -

THOMAS G. TURNER HUMAN RESOURCES

Since 1989, the City has contracted with Employee and Family Resources for counseling services for City employees. Confidential services are provided at no cost to employees and their family members for initial assessment and referral for a variety of personal problems including family, marital, financial, work-related, legal, emotional, alcohol/drug concerns, or other problems that interfere with daily living.