CITY COUNCIL ITEM **COMMUNICATION:** OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER 02-307 CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA **SYNOPSIS** -**AGENDA:** This communication supplements Council Communication No. 02-293 JUNE 3, 2002 which was included in the Council packet for tonight's meeting. At 11 AM today, the City received five bids for its \$30,920,000 **SUBJECT:** General Obligation Bonds, Series 2002E (tax-exempt). The best bid (and, therefore, the lowest interest rate) was from UBS/Paine Webber, at a true interest cost of 4.807899 percent over the 20-year life of the RESULTS OF SALE OF GENERAL bonds. **OBLIGATION BONDS AND** The City received three bids for its \$8,515,000 General Obligation **GENERAL** Bonds, Series 2002F (Urban Renewal). The best bid (lowest interest **OBLIGATION** rate) was from US Bancorp Piper Jaffray, at a true interest cost of **REFUNDING BONDS** 4.4899 percent over the 20-year life of the bonds. Nine bids were received for its \$2,205,000 General Obligation Bonds, **TYPE:** Taxable Series 2002G. The best bid (lowest interest rate) was from UBS/Paine Webber, at a true interest cost of 4.6072 percent over the **RESOLUTION** five-year life of the bonds. **ORDINANCE** RECEIVE/FILE Various factors affect the interest rate received for bond issues such as this, including the City's general obligation bond rating. The City continues to hold a general obligation bond rating of Aa2 from Moody's, and AA+ from Standard and Poor's, with a "stable" outlook **SUBMITTED BY:** from both rating agencies. We have attached the credit analyses from MERRILL R. Moody's and Standard and Poor's. STANLEY **FINANCE FISCAL IMPACT -**DIRECTOR Annual debt service on the bonds will range from \$2,300,000 to \$3,540,000. Debt service will be paid from property tax debt service levy and tax increment funds, as available.

**RECOMMENDATION -**

Direct the sale of \$30,920,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2002E, to UBS/Paine Webber.

Direct the sale of \$8,515,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2002F, to US Bancorp Piper Jaffray.

Direct the sale of \$2,205,000 General Obligation Bonds, Taxable Series 2002G, to UBS/Paine Webber.

## **BACKGROUND** -

This bond issue will fund a portion of the City's 2002-03 Capital Improvements Program approved by Council on March 4, 2002.

The structure of the bond issue is consistent with the City's debt management policy. Final Council action to authorize the bonds will occur in a separate action on the June 17 Council agenda. Bond closing is scheduled for June 28, 2002.

Attachments