



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

02-319

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

AGENDA:

SYNOPSIS -

JUNE 17, 2002

Approval of the lease agreement by and between the City of Des Moines and the Des Moines Independent School District for construction and maintenance of a parking lot at Prospect Park.

SUBJECT:

FISCAL IMPACT -

PROSPECT PARK
LEASE AGREEMENT
WITH DES MOINES
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The estimated cost of \$170,000 for parking lot improvements and maintenance will be paid by the Des Moines Independent School District.

TYPE:

RECOMMENDATION -

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

Approval.

SUBMITTED BY:

On June 3, 2002, by Roll Call No. 02-1476, the City Council established June 17, 2002, as the date for a public hearing regarding the lease agreement by and between the City of Des Moines and the Des Moines Independent School District for the construction and maintenance of a parking lot at Prospect Park.

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DIRECTOR

On January 22, 2002, the Des Moines Park and Recreation Board recommended approval to the City Council to authorize the Des Moines Independent School District to build and maintain a parking lot at Prospect Park.

While negotiating with the Des Moines School District regarding the use of Rice Elementary for the Northwest Soccer Club, the School District requested authorization to construct a hard surface parking lot at Prospect Park for use by their bus drivers. Currently, the site is one-third developed with crushed white rock.

The proposed parking lot would accommodate the needs of the Des Moines Independent School District and allow for better parking and access to Prospect Park for the general public and Northwest Soccer Club, which also uses the site for soccer practices and games. Additionally, the School District has agreed to install a 30-car parking lot at Rice Elementary and use of the site by the Northwest Soccer Club for practices and games.

These negotiations came about when the City approached the School District about using the former Rice Elementary School site for the Northwest Soccer Club due to the loss of the field at Franklin Park from the development of Polk County's Northwest Community Center. The lease agreement, which is on file in the City Clerk's Office, is for a term of five years with three five-year renewal options.
