

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

02-371

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

AGENDA:

JULY 8, 2002

SYNOPSIS -

On the July 8, 2002 Council agenda is a roll call to approve and authorize the execution of an agreement for professional services with Pulley & Associates (John Pulley, Managing Principal, 1005 Grand Avenue, Suite 100, West Des Moines, Iowa, 50265) related to the Police Dispatch Center Renovation.

SUBJECT:

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES
AGREEMENT FOR
THE POLICE
DISPATCH CENTER
RENOVATION
IMPROVEMENTS

FISCAL IMPACT -

Compensation to the consultant for work covered by the agreement shall be made at a lump sum fee of \$62,500.

TYPE:

Approval of agreement with Pulley & Associates.

RESOLUTION

ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

BACKGROUND -

On December 20, 1999, by Roll Call No. 99-3811, the City Council approved a professional services agreement with RCC Consultants, Inc. to provide professional services to assist in the design, development, and implementation of public safety communications improvements. Subsequent to that action, on March 4, 2002, by Roll Call No. 02-623, the City Manager and staff were authorized to enter into contract negotiations with Siemens Integrated Local Government Systems and directed to develop and return an implementation plan to include a negotiated contract for communications equipment and software.

SUBMITTED BY:

JEB E. BREWER, P.E.
CITY ENGINEER

WILLIAM H.
MOULDER
CHIEF OF POLICE

The next phase of the implementation of public safety communications improvements will involve the integration of the existing building infrastructure and related mechanical and electrical systems with the new communications equipment and systems. The Police Dispatch Center Renovation will allow the new

communications system to be installed.

On February 8, 2002, the Engineering Department mailed Requests for Proposals (RFPs) to six engineering firms asking for proposals to prepare detailed plans for implementation of the Police Dispatch Center Renovation. On March 4, 2002, proposals were received from Brooks Borg Skiles; Brown Engineering Co.; Pulley & Associates; and Shive Hattery, Inc.

A consultant selection committee composed of City staff from Engineering Design Division, Fire Department, Park and Recreation Department, and Police Department reviewed the proposals. The proposals were rated on experience with similar projects, qualifications of key personnel, understanding of the project overview, references, quality of the proposal, and costs. The selection committee found two firms, Pulley & Associates and Brooks Borg Skiles as being very qualified to do the work required by this project. While both firms had excellent proposals, it is recommended that Pulley & Associates be selected. Pulley & Associates was rated higher utilizing the Consultant Rating Form and showed an in-depth understanding of the project.

It is anticipated that construction on these projects will be completed during 2002 and 2003.
