

**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

**02-641**

**AGENDA:**

DECEMBER 16,  
2002

**SUBJECT:**

CONTRACT  
AWARD FOR  
AMERICANS WITH  
DISABILITIES ACT  
TRANSITION PLAN

**TYPE:**

**RESOLUTION**  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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PARK AND  
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**ITEM** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**SYNOPSIS —**

Award a contract for the development of an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan for the City of Des Moines' public facilities to RDG Bussard Dikis, (William Dikis, Partner, 301 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, 50309-1718).

**FISCAL IMPACT —**

\$75,196. Funds have been budgeted in the Capital Improvement Program (CPO34/ENG990000/BLD042).

**RECOMMENDATION —**

**Approval.**

**BACKGROUND —**

Among several mandatory requirements set forth in the ADA is the development of a Transition Plan by state and local governments. ADA guidelines required a Transition Plan to have been completed by all agencies by July 26, 1992. Members of the City's Access Advisory Board developed an assessment of existing accessibility deficiencies in the early 1990's. The report was received and filed by Council at that time. The assessment was updated in early 2002 by the City Engineering staff (on file with the City Clerk's Office). On June 19, 2002, the City of Des Moines' Access Advisory Board approved and recommended to the City Council to send out a Request for Proposals (RFP) to hire a consultant to complete a Transition Plan for all public facilities and spaces for the City of Des Moines. On July 8, 2002, by Roll Call No. 02-1704, the City Council approved the issuance of an RFP.

A complete and thorough study of all City buildings and facilities will be conducted culminating in a report that includes: 1) Identifying each non-compliant accessible element listed in the ADA Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG); 2) Citing non-compliant specifics; 3) Proposing a solution to bring non-compliant elements into compliance; and, 4) Preparing a conceptual cost estimate for completing the work required to bring the non-compliant elements into compliance. The consultant will also: 1) Classify the mitigation of the non-compliant elements by the magnitude of the impact it has on disabled persons; 2) Classify the non-compliant

	<p>elements into categories of ease of accomplishment and cost; and, 3) Develop a phased Implementation Plan that will include a long-term schedule with cost estimates for bringing municipal buildings and other facilities into compliance with ADAAG.</p>
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