

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

03-120

AGENDA:

MARCH 10, 2003

SUBJECT:

ACCEPTANCE OF
SKYWALK BRIDGES
9D-10D, 10C-10D; AIR
RIGHTS FOR
SKYWALK BRIDGE
10C-10D; AND NEW
SKYWALK
CORRIDORS

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

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ITEM _____

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

SYNOPSIS —

Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company (Nationwide) has completed construction of skywalk bridges 9D-10D over 10th Street and 10C-10D over Walnut Street, and the skywalk corridors within their buildings in accordance to the Skywalk Agreement between Nationwide and the City.

City Council acceptance of the skywalk bridges and corridors will transfer ownership of the bridges to the City, dedicate the bridges and corridors to the Skywalk System, and will make the corridor easements on private property enforceable and open the corridors to the public as specified in the Skywalk Agreements.

Nationwide has also provided the City with a Warranty Deed for the Air Rights that encompass skywalk bridge 10C-10D as provided for in the Skywalk Agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT —

Payment to Nationwide for construction of skywalk bridges 9D-10D and 10C-10D was previously authorized by Roll Call No. 02-2169 on September 9, 2002.

RECOMMENDATION —

Acceptance of skywalk bridges 9D-10D, 10C-10D, and skywalk corridors in the Nationwide Buildings. Acceptance of Warranty Deed for Air Rights.

BACKGROUND —

On April 23, 2001, by Roll Call No. 01-1209, the City Council approved a Skywalk Agreement with Nationwide. Under this Agreement, Nationwide was required to design and construct skywalk bridges 9D-10D and 10C-10D, and skywalk corridors within their buildings. On September 9, 2002, by Roll Call No. 02-2169, the City Council approved the design and authorized construction and payment on the bridges. The Agreement required Nationwide to construct skywalk corridors and specified the easements for

	<p>those corridors. The easements were anticipated in the Skywalk Agreement and require City Council acceptance of the corridors to make the easements enforceable and the corridors open to the public.</p>
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