CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION:

03-210

**AGENDA:** 

MAY 5, 2003

SUBJECT:

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CAMPFIRE BOYS AND GIRLS AND THE URBAN ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERSHIP TO MARK STORM DRAIN INTAKES

TYPE:

RESOLUTION ORDINANCE

RECEIVE/FILE

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ITEM 42

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

## SYNOPSIS —

Approval for the Campfire Boys and Girls and the Urban Environmental Partnership to mark storm drain intakes with no dumping plaques in the area radiating approximately 1000' from the Campfire Boys and Girls Headquarters at 5615 Hickman Road excluding Hickman Road, Franklin Avenue, and Merle Hay Road.

# FISCAL IMPACT —

None. The Urban Environmental Partnership will be providing the participants with all necessary materials.

## **RECOMMENDATION** —

**Approval** 

## **BACKGROUND** —

In 1999, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) issued a permit for the City of Des Moines Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4). The permit stipulates that the City of Des Moines will provide public education about the Separate Storm Sewer System. All public education activities are reported in the Annual Report presented to the DNR in March of each year.

In 2000, the City of Des Moines entered into a cooperative agreement with Des Moines Water Works (DMWW) to provide public education on environmental issues including an educational segment regarding public storm sewers and public waterways. This program is directed by DMWW staff.

In 2003, the DMWW staff contacted the Campfire group to participate in a storm drain marking project. City of Des Moines staff will provide the Campfire group with a map of the drainage area and designate which storm sewer intakes will be marked. The volunteers will use epoxy to adhere 3"x5" plaques, saying "Dump No Waste-Drains to Stream," to storm sewer intakes. The volunteers will also place door hangers on residences within the area of the marking to educate the public why it is important not to dispose of materials in the storm sewer intakes. Materials for this project are provided by DMWW. Insurance for this project provided by Campfire Boys and Girls. The Campfire Boys and

Girls	will	sign	an	indemnity	agreement	and	the	group	has
insurance as indicated in the agreement.									