

CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:

03-270

AGENDA:

JUNE 23, 2003

SUBJECT:

OUT-OF-STATE
TRAVEL

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

MERRILL R. STANLEY
FINANCE DIRECTOR

ITEM _____

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA

SYNOPSIS —

Eric A. Anderson, (10-R), City Manager, to San Diego, California and Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, from July 5, 2003 to July 20, 2003. Mr. Anderson has been asked to be a speaker at the Environmental Systems Research, Inc. (ESRI) Senior Executive Leadership Seminar which he will attend from July 6 through July 10 in San Diego, California. This annual conference is one of the largest and most prestigious gatherings of Graphic Information System (GIS) professionals in the world. Topics will include: using GIS to deliver citizen services; understanding the costs/benefits of GIS; using GIS to support the mission of an organization; and integrating GIS into the overall information technology (IT) architecture of an organization. The topic of Mr. Anderson's presentation will be: *Using GIS to Deliver Citizen Services in the City of Des Moines, Iowa*. Airfare, hotel, and registration for this seminar will be paid by ESRI. From July 17 through July 19 he will attend the Large Cities Executive Forum in Vancouver, British Columbia. This forum provides an opportunity to discuss key issues of service delivery and finances that affect large cities.

Dani Stookey, (0-R), Senior Public Safety Dispatcher, to Indianapolis, Indiana, from August 6, 2003 to August 10, 2003, to attend the Intergraph Public Safety User's Conference. Attendees will gain other users' perspective and knowledge of how the Intergraph Public Safety systems function.

Larry Rogers, (0-NR), Senior Police Officer; and Tony Knox, (1-R), Police Sergeant, to Washington, DC, from October 10, 2003 to October 14, 2003, to attend the 6th National Conference on Preventing Crime. This conference will focus on crime prevention issues and community policing techniques. Conference workshops will include such topics as drug abuse and prevention, safer schools, and protecting children.

Stewart Drake, (1-NR), Senior Police Officer, to Port Clinton, Ohio, from August 9, 2003 to August 17, 2003, to attend the National Rifle Matches. This training allows participating officers to learn from training afforded by the foremost authorities in the country.

Eric Nevins, (1-R), Police Communications Supervisor, to Indianapolis, Indiana, from August 10, 2003 to August 17, 2003, to attend the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials' 69th Annual Conference and Exposition. Today's public safety communications challenges will be addressed during the course of the conference.

FISCAL IMPACT —

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Cost of travel is \$1,250; \$1,600; \$2,848 (Rogers and Knox); \$2,106; and \$1,600, respectively. Funding for these trips is provided for in the 2002-2003 Operating Budget under Index Code CMO010000, page 7-8; POL982200, page 20-20 (Stookey, Rogers, Knox, and Drake); and Index Code POL011000, page 20-9.

The total expended on City travel from July 1, 2002 through June 19, 2003, is \$349,769.50; the total amount budgeted for City travel is approximately \$346,000.

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval.

BACKGROUND —

On January 20, 1992, by Roll Call No. 92-214, the City Council approved a revision to the policy for travel authorization requests. Such revision requires trips that exceed three days and \$1,250 cost to be approved by the Council. The number in parenthesis indicates the total number of trips previously authorized for that individual for the current budget year; R represents resident and NR represents non-resident.

