

**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

**03-299**

**AGENDA:**

JUNE 23, 2003

**SUBJECT:**

PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICES  
AGREEMENT IN  
CONJUNCTION WITH  
WRA TWO-TIER  
UTILITY PROPOSAL  
FOR FINANCIAL  
ADVISORY SERVICES

**TYPE:**

**RESOLUTION**  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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DIRECTOR

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CITY ENGINEER

**ITEM 9**

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

**SYNOPSIS —**

Approving the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Des Moines and Public Financial Management, Inc. (Jeanne Frederick Vanda, Managing Director, Terrace Place, Suite 214, 2000 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, 50312), in conjunction with the WRA Two-Tier Utility Proposal for Financial Advisory Services at hourly costs not to exceed \$40,000.

**FISCAL IMPACT —**

Total compensation to the consultant is not to exceed \$40,000. Funding will be from the WRA Renewal and Replacement Fund, Activity ID 01-2003-027, EN267, ENG990000, WRA069. The fund will have an FY04 projected beginning balance of \$11,755,988. The portion of the fee allocated to the City of Des Moines is approximately \$25,140.

**RECOMMENDATION —**

**Approval.**

**BACKGROUND —**

The WRA Management Agency has, through its Governance Committee, undertaken a study of its governance structure and has recommended that the improvements to be constructed pursuant to the Facilities Plan Update should be financed and constructed under a Two-Tier Utility concept, and has further recommended that new communities hereafter admitted to membership in the WRA be required to make a capital contribution to current members in the form of surcharge payments. The Governance Committee has recommended the retention of a financial consultant to study the financing of such improvements under the Two-Tier Utility concept, and to make recommendations regarding the capital contribution to be required of new communities admitted to membership in the WRA.

