CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION:

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AGENDA:

JUNE 23, 2003

SUBJECT:

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY OUTREACH PARTNERSHIP CENTERS

TYPE:

RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

JAMES M. GRANT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR **ITEM** 48

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA

SYNOPSIS —

Iowa State University (ISU) has asked the City Council for support of a Community Outreach Partnership Centers (COPC) Community Futures Demonstration Program. The grant would develop a long-range regional plan for the Des Moines Metropolitan area.

FISCAL IMPACT —

None. ISU is looking for in-kind staff participation over the next three years as they develop this plan.

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval.

BACKGROUND —

The Department of Housing and Urban Development issued a notice to universities and colleges in the United States for applications to develop housing plans and designs or long-range plans for local communities that address future growth and development trends in the metropolitan area or region. This is under the guidance of their previous programs for Community Outreach Partnership Centers. This particular grant request is for a "Community Futures Demonstration"

lowa State University is applying for this demonstration grant and is asking for the support of the local communities to participate over the next three years to develop a plan that addresses the future growth of the metropolitan area. They are asking that each community pass a resolution of support that indicates participation on an in-kind basis for each community's staffs to be a part of the community outreach effort. They are not asking for any cash

On June 10, 2003 the Metropolitan Advisory Council (MAC) received a presentation by Tim Borich from Iowa State University on the grant process and the work product that would benefit the Des Moines metropolitan area.

Staff is recommending that Des Moines participate in this process, as staff is available.