CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION:

03-517

AGENDA:

OCTOBER 20, 2003

SUBJECT:

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT/ LIQUOR PENALTIES AND NATIVE WINE PERMITS

TYPE:

RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

DIANE RAUH CITY CLERK

BRUCE BERGMAN CITY ATTORNEY

ITEM

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA

SYNOPSIS —

Ordinance amendment to liquor penalties and native wine permits that will allow the City to collect civil penalties for liquor violations and allow for issuance of the new "Native Wine" permits allowed by State Code.

FISCAL IMPACT —

Collection of an estimated \$3,000 to \$5,000 in civil penalties per year.

RECOMMENDATION —

Adoption of the proposed amendments.

BACKGROUND —

The current ordinance does not allow the City to recover civil penalties for liquor violations even though authorized by State Code. The proposed amendments to the City Code will take advantage of the authorization to recover civil penalties for liquor violations.

Also, the State Code was amended to include new wine permit classifications for sales of native wines. The proposed amendments regarding native wines are necessary to allow the issuance of native wine permits as authorized by State Code.

The City Clerk and Legal Department recommend waiver of readings for these amendments.