

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

03-533

AGENDA:

NOVEMBER 17, 2003

SUBJECT:

NON-COMPETITIVE
PROCUREMENT OF
CENTRIFUGE
ROTATING
ASSEMBLY REPAIR

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

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PUBLIC WORKS
DIRECTOR

ITEM _____

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

SYNOPSIS —

Request for Council approval of non-competitive procurement and purchase of centrifuge rotating assembly for repair in an amount not to exceed \$63,035, pursuant to Section 2-725 (g) of the Municipal Code.

FISCAL IMPACT —

\$63,035. Funding for the repair is budgeted in EN267, Organization Code PWK990000, Project WRA070.

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval.

BACKGROUND —

The Wastewater Reclamation Facility thickens daily 600,000 gallons of activated sludge from 1 percent solids to 6 percent using one of two high-speed centrifuges. These centrifuges operate 24 hours a day, everyday and are essential to maintaining compliance with Iowa Department of Natural Resources discharge requirements.

A centrifuge rotating assembly recently failed, and because of their high-speed operation, these machines are subject to expensive repairs. The Wastewater Reclamation Facility obtained repair quotes from three repair shops without advertisement due to the specialized nature of the repairs and now requests approval of non-competitive procurement of repairs from the low bidder, Maverick Distribution, LLC.

