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## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION City Manager's Office

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Agenda Date: 4/11/2005  
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Roll Call

Submitted by: Bill McCarthy, Chief of Police

### SUBJECT—

Approval of personal protective equipment for the Police Department Bid V05-094

### SYNOPSIS—

The National Governor's Conference is coming to Des Moines in July 2005. This gathering of state government leaders has brought with it politically active special interest groups who may have an effect on traffic control and peace keeping efforts by the Police Department. These groups can be accommodated utilizing appropriate police intervention and the proper equipment. In anticipation of the need for such equipment, the Purchasing Department has solicited competitive bids for personal protective equipment for the Police Department. Eight qualified vendors were asked to submit a bid for this protective equipment and three of them have submitted proposals. The low compliant bidder in this matter is Carpenter Uniform Company at 5801 Thornton Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50321, President Robert Carpenter. The total expense for this equipment is \$78,256.50. The current City of Des Moines, Iowa Purchasing Ordinance requires approval by the City Council for an expense of this amount.

### FISCAL IMPACT—

Cost to the City of Des Moines would not exceed \$78,256.50 from the National Governor's Conference Budget.

### RECOMMENDATION—

Approval of the low compliant bidder, Carpenter Uniform Company.

**BACKGROUND—**

The Police Department requested personal protective equipment for initial use at the National Governor's Conference, which is coming to Des Moines July 2005. This equipment will be used to assist officers in maintaining crowd and traffic control created by special action groups who follow this conference each year. The potential for these incidents is relatively high judging from past experience in other Cities of our size and larger.

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