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SUBJECT—

Approving Professional Services Agreement with Stanley Consultants for Principal Riverwalk Civic Gardens in the amount of \$63,500.

SYNOPSIS—

Approve a Professional Services Agreement with Stanley Consultants, Inc. (Greg Thomopolus, President, 225 Iowa Avenue, Muscatine, Iowa), in an amount of \$63,500 for final design services on the Principal Riverwalk Civic Gardens.

FISCAL IMPACT—

Funding for this professional services agreement is available from Riverwalk, Fund CP040, Organization PKS 990000, Project PKS162, Activity ID 01-2005-033

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval

BACKGROUND—

The Corps of Engineers is proceeding with the design of Riverwalk, as agreed to in the Design Agreement approved by City Council on March 22, 2004 by Roll Call 04-599. The Corps of

Engineers has further agreed to advance the design of the Civic Gardens to allow construction to precede other Riverwalk components. At this point, the Corps of Engineers has performed preliminary engineering services on the Civic Gardens through an agreement with Stanley Consultants.

In order to begin this project this fall, the City must accelerate the final design and bidding of this Riverwalk element. The Corps has agreed to allow the City to complete the design as an eligible Riverwalk project. Stanley Consultants, with RDG Planning & Design as a subcontractor, has been chosen by the City to provide final design services based on their current contractual relationship with the Corps of Engineers and the need to keep the current design team together. This arrangement will allow construction to begin this fall.

The Civic Gardens are located adjacent to City Hall and will include formal gardens, walkway, new floodwall, and lighting of City Hall. The Joel Shapiro sculpture will be placed as part of this project as approved by City Council on September 27, 2004 by Roll Call 04-2052. The project will also include landscape improvements and lighting components along the east side of City Hall proposed as part of the City Hall Landscape project. Improvements on the east side of City Hall will be limited to the area immediately adjacent to the building. The existing sidewalk along Robert D Ray Drive, Locust Street and Grand Avenue will remain in place.