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COUNCIL COMMUNICATION City Manager's Office

GENERAL INFORMATION

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SUBJECT—

Mobile Data System Request For Proposal

SYNOPSIS—

The Mobile Data System phase of the contract between the City and Siemens Communications has not been completed, and both parties are renegotiating the original agreement to terminate the mobile data component. The City desires a new contractor to complete the Mobile Data Communications System for the Police and Fire Departments. RCC Consultants Inc. (100 Woodbridge Center Drive, Suite 201, Woodbridge, New Jersey, 07095-1125, Mike Hunter, President) has been retained to assist the City in acquiring a new system. A Request For Proposal has been completed and reviewed and approved by City Staff. Council approval of the RFP is requested so that responses can be solicited and evaluated and a recommendation made to the Council.

FISCAL IMPACT—

It is estimated a new mobile data system will cost \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000, which will be funded from the Police and Fire Radio System Improvement CIP Fund.

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval

BACKGROUND—

July 17, 2002, the City of Des Moines, Iowa signed a contract with RCC Consultants to assist in the installation of a CAD, RMS and Mobile Data System for the Police and Fire Departments. The Communications Contractor providing the mobile data system has not been able to complete the mobile data phase of this project in the time allotted. Negotiations with the City and the Contractor have commenced with the intent to terminate the company's involvement in the mobile data portion of the communication project. The City desires to locate another mobile data system contractor to replace the current system.

RCC Consultants Inc. will again assist in locating a new vendor and continuing their support to quickly get the project restarted and completed. The First Amendment with RCC was March 8, 2005 (Roll Call No. 04-513). The Second Amendment was January 24, 2005 (Roll Call No. 05-184). A Third Amendment to the original contract was approved by the City Council on April 25, 2005 (Roll Call No. 05-994). This contract provides for RCC Consultants to evaluate and recommend an alternate vendor and assist in the implementation of the new mobile data system.