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Office of the City Manager

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Manager and Chief Information Officer

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving the renewal of software license from Websense, (10240 Sorrento Valley Road, San Diego, CA 92121) for software used to filter Internet access by City employees.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of a three-year contract with Websense for Internet monitoring and filtering software. This will move the agreement from an annual maintenance renewal with Websense for Internet filtering software to a three-year contract. The annual renewal cost is \$20,448. The cost of the three year contract is \$40,878 which reduces the cost per year to \$13,626 and eliminates any annual price increases for the next three years. This service contract was acquired through a State of Iowa bid.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$40,878

Funding Source: 2008-09 Operating Budget, Information Technology, IT- Telephone Communications,

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City of Des Moines uses Websense software to filter Internet access by City employees. The purpose of the software is to limit access to specific web sites, content, or applications. It provides a cost-effective and efficient method to allow City employees to use the online resources safely and productively by controlling Internet access, preventing inappropriate content from entering the network, and limiting bandwith-intensive sites and applications.

Approval of this three-year contract will be a change from the previous annual maintenance renewal and will protect the City from any annual price increases for the next three years. It will also provide savings to the City of at least \$20,466 as the annual renewal cost has been \$20,448 and this action reduces it to \$13,626.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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