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	Agenda Item No.	43E
	Roll Call No.	[_____]
	Communication No.	<u>12-204</u>
	Submitted by:	William G. Stowe, Assistant City Manager – Public Works Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving City of Des Moines’ participation in the joint purchase of a salt conveyor for use by all participants in the Metropolitan Salt Storage Facility.

SYNOPSIS:

The City of Des Moines participates in a 28E agreement with eight suburban communities for the purchase and storage of salt for winter snow operations. The participants in the Metropolitan Salt Storage Facility recommend purchasing a conveyor for placing salt in the two storage buildings. The cost for this purchase will be divided in the same proportions as the salt storage agreement. The purchasing agent for the Metro Waste Authority will purchase a salt conveyor via the City of Chicago contract. Purchase of the conveyor from Kimco USA, Inc. (118 East Trefz Drive, Marshall, Illinois, Max Coffey, President), will be at a cost to the City of Des Moines of \$44,956.50. Staff recommends approval.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$44,956.50

Funding Source: \$44,956.50 from 2012/2013 Street Maintenance Operating Budget, SP360 PWK040400, page 253.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City of Des Moines entered into a 28E agreement with Metro Waste Authority and eight metro area cities to lease land and purchase the Metropolitan Salt Storage Facility located in Grimes, Iowa west of the metro area. This facility allows for the storage of an entire season of salt for one winter. This reduces the risk of salt deliveries during inclement weather.

The current practice for placing salt in the buildings is done by an end loader and is labor intensive. A conveyor available on-site will allow the salt to be stacked higher and in less time, reducing the staff requirements at the site.

The total cost for the conveyor per the City of Chicago contract is \$99,903.33. The cost of this conveyor will be allocated the same as the salt storage agreement. The City of Des Moines will be

responsible for 45% of the total cost. The unit is portable and can be transported, if needed, to stack salt at the Department of Public Works material supply yard.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: July 14, 2008

Roll Call Number: [08-1237](#)

Action: [Approving](#) the 28E Agreement with City of West Des Moines, Urbandale, Johnston, Clive, Windsor Heights, Waukee, Grimes and Pleasant Hill for operation and maintenance of the facility. ([Council Communication No. 08-414](#)) **Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

Date: July 14, 2008

Roll Call Number: [08-1236](#)

Action: [Approving](#) plans, specification, form of contract and estimate of construction and execution of the 28E Agreement for the lease purchase of the facility with the above entities. **Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

Date: July 14, 2008

Roll Call Number: [08-1235](#)

Action: [Hearing](#) on plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost of construction of improvements pursuant to agreement with Metro Waste Authority, \$1,161,986.84; and authorization of 28E Agreement with West Des Moines, Urbandale, Johnston, Clive, Windsor Heights, Waukee, Grimes, Pleasant Hill and Metro Waste Authority, for Lease Purchase of facility on Metro Waste Authority property, City of Des Moines' cost of construction not to exceed \$581,818.11 without written amendment. **Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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