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SUBJECT—

Approving Street Lighting Service Agreement between MidAmerican Energy Company and the City of Des Moines

SYNOPSIS—

This agreement establishes that MidAmerican will provide street lighting services for the City of Des Moines for five years, at a reduced rate.

FISCAL IMPACT—

\$1,350,000 annual savings for five years (total of \$6,750,000). This annual savings is derived from two elements

- \$650,000 annual discount on street lighting costs
- \$700,000 annual rebate on the approximately 4,100 streetlights that have been turned off since fall 2003. This rebate will be reduced on a pro-rata basis if streetlights are turned back on.

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval

BACKGROUND—

Council entered into an electric services agreement with MidAmerican Energy Company in 1998 (Roll Call 98-2743), whereby MidAmerican maintained ownership of the streetlight system in exchange for reduced rates for those services. The term of that agreement will end on August 31, 2004.

If approved, this agreement would also allow MidAmerican to continue to own the streetlight system in exchange for reduced rates. The term is shortened to five years, and will expire August 31, 2009.

New to the agreement is a rebate for streetlights that have been turned off. The City will receive a \$700,000 rebate per year for as long as the approximately 4,100 streetlights remain off. If these lights are turned back on, the rebate will be reduced on a pro-rata basis.

This agreement, combined with a new value-added service agreement (a separate item on this agenda) will total \$1,700,000 annually.