

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: AMES INTERNATIONAL PARTNER CITIES ASSOCIATION, INC.
2008/09 FUNDING CONTRACT

BACKGROUND:

During approval of the 2008/09 budget, the City Council included \$3,000 in funding for use by the Ames International Partner Cities Association, Inc. (AIPCA).

Each year the parties enter into an agreement to confirm the manner in which AIPCA will use this funding. This contract is similar to those utilized for arts agency and human service agency funding. The AIPCA contract specifically describes the Association's scope of services as follows:

To undertake such activities as will foster and promote friendly relations and mutual understanding between the people of Ames, Iowa, and people of similar cities of other nations; and, to act as a coordinating influence among those organizations, groups, and individuals desiring to engage in activities furthering those objectives and purposes.

This is the fifteenth year during which the Council has entered into a funding agreement with this group.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the 2008/09 funding contract with the AIPCA in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.
2. Do not approve a new funding contract with AIPCA.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative #1, thereby approving the 2008/09 funding contract with the AIPCA in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.