

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: AMES/ISU ICE ARENA RUBBER FLOORING REPLACEMENT**

**BACKGROUND:**

The **FY 2012/13** Capital Improvement Plan includes \$100,000 in funding to replace the ten year old rubber flooring in the lobby, restrooms, and meeting room at the Ames/ISU Ice Arena.

The Arena is closed annually during the month of May to complete preventative maintenance projects and the flooring could be replaced at that time. **Since the funding source for this project is the Ice Arena Capital Reserve Fund, which currently totals \$423,000, it is being recommended that the project be accelerated and completed during FY 2011/12 (this coming May, when the facility will be closed to the public), rather than in FY 2012/13 as budgeted.**

As a reminder, the City and Iowa State University each contribute \$20,000 annually toward this fund so capital improvements can be made at this facility. ISU administration has concurred with replacement of this flooring. The estimated costs for this project are \$5,000 for the development of plans and specifications and \$95,000 for materials and installation.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve plans and specifications for the replacement of the rubber flooring in the lobby, restroom, and meeting room of the Ames/ISU Ice Arena during May 2012, and establish March 20, 2012 as the bid due date and March 27, 2012 as the date to report bids and award a contract.
2. Delay this project until FY 2012/13

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

This project has been approved in the 2012/13 CIP, and funding is already available in the Ice Arena's Capital Reserve Fund. Accelerating the project will allow the flooring to be replaced during the arena's annual closure this May.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative #1, thereby approving plans and specifications for replacement of the rubber flooring in the Ames/ISU Ice Arena in May 2012, and establishing March 20, 2012 as the bid due date and March 27, 2012 as the date to report bids and award a contract.