

ITEM #:	<u>22</u>
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### **COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT:**                      **SAFETY SERVICES CONTRACT FOR FY 2025/26**

**BACKGROUND:**

The City has contracted with the Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities (IAMU) for over 21 years to provide safety training and OSHA compliance support to City staff. IAMU provides training regarding topics of importance to all City staff and provides specialized training for the unique activities undertaken by staff in different departments.

In addition, IAMU provides safety program review, accident investigation support, and undertakes special projects at the request of division leaders and the Risk Manager. IAMU has been very receptive of continuing improvements to the Safety Services program as requested by the City's Risk Manager. IAMU continues to improve its services to the City, in line with the City's organizational values, and works closely with the Risk Manager to ensure that the City's needs are being met.

**The City's current contract with IAMU is expiring June 30, 2025. The expiring contract is for an amount not to exceed \$142,750. IAMU has a proposed renewal of \$147,036 for FY 2025/26, which is a 3% increase. The FY 2025/26 adopted budget contains \$147,033 for safety services.**

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Waive the City's Purchasing Policy requirement for competitive bidding and approve renewal of an agreement for safety services with IAMU for an amount not to exceed \$147,036 for July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.
2. Do not approve an agreement with IAMU, and direct City staff to find alternatives to provide safety training services.

**CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**IAMU continues to provide quality safety training and services to the City.** Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

[2008-2025 Agreement FY 2025-2026 Ames \(1\).pdf](#)