

Commission Minutes

May 11, 2021



IOWA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Meeting Agenda / Commission Orders

May 11, 2021
Materials Conference Room
Ames DOT Complex

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	Adjourn		
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On Tuesday, May 11, the Commission and staff will meet informally at 9:30 a.m. Transportation-related matters will be discussed but no action will be taken.			

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER

Division/Bureau/Office Director's Office Order No. D-2021-81
Submitted by Danielle Madden Phone No. 515-239-1919 Meeting Date May 11, 2021
Title Approve Minutes of the April 13, 2021 Commission Meeting

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission approve the minutes of the April 13, 2021 Commission meeting.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by John Putney Seconded by Tom Rielly

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Arnold	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Fehrman	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Juckette	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Maher	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Putney	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Rielly	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Yanney	<u>x</u>	_____	_____

Division Director Legal State Director

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER**

Division/Bureau/Office Transportation Development Division
Systems Planning Bureau Order No. PPM-2021-82
 Submitted by Craig Markley Phone No. 515-239-1027 Meeting Date May 11, 2021
 Title Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Johnston

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

The city of Johnston submitted a RISE Local Development application in the September 2020 round requesting a grant to assist in construction of intersection improvements at Merle Hay Road and Johnston Drive located on the southeast side of town. This project is anticipated to be completed by December 2021.

This project is necessary to support tourism by providing improved access to the proposed Ignit Sports Complex.

The evaluation and rating for the project will be discussed.

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission, based on the tourism impact of the investment, award a RISE grant of \$1,096,745 or up to 26.4 percent of the total RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less, from the city share of the RISE Fund.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by Kathy Fehrman Seconded by Rich Arnold

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Arnold	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Fehrman	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Juckette	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Maher	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Putney	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Rielly	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Yanney	<u>x</u>	_____	_____

Division Director Legal State Director

PPM-2021-82

Craig Markley, Planning, Programming and Modal Division Systems Planning Bureau; Johnston submitted, a Local Development RISE funding request to assist in construction of intersection improvements at Merle hay Road and Johnston Drive. This is located on the southeast side of town. This project is necessary to support tourism by providing improved access to the proposed Ignite Sports Complex, under RISE Local Development criteria this project received a rating of 49 points. Total estimated cost of the project is \$4,154,339 the city of Johnson is requesting a RISE grant of \$1,096,745 and will be providing 73.6% in local match.

It is recommended the Commission, based on the tourism impact of the investment, award a RISE grant of \$1,096,745 or up to 26.4% of the total RISE eligible project cost whichever is less. Funding will come from the city share the RISE fund.

Commissioner Fehrman made a motion to award the RISE grant to the city of Johnston as presented. Commissioner Arnold seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER**

Division/Bureau/Office Transportation Development Division
Systems Planning Bureau Order No. PPM-2021-83
Submitted by Craig Markley Phone No. 515-239-1027 Meeting Date May 11, 2021
Title Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Pleasant Hill

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

The city of Pleasant Hill submitted an Iowa's Certified Site Program RISE Local Development application in the February 2021 round requesting a grant to assist in construction of approximately 1,395 feet of new roadway located on the northeast side of town.

This project is necessary to provide access to the Pleasant Hill Commerce Park, an Iowa Economic Development Authority certified site of more than 213 acres for industrial purposes. The certification for this site expires December 11, 2022.

The evaluation and rating for the project will be discussed.

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission, based on the capital investment commitment and potential for future job creation, award a RISE grant from the city share of the RISE Fund. The estimated total RISE-eligible project cost is \$1,030,688 and the estimated RISE grant is \$618,413 or up to 60 percent of the total RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less. Since this is a certified site project, the actual award amount is subject to change as the project plans are finalized. Any changes to the scope or approved funding will be submitted by the department to the Commission for consideration as a modification to the award.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by Charese Yanney Seconded by Linda Juckette

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Arnold	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Fehrman	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Juckette	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Maher	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Putney	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Rielly	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Yanney	<u>x</u>	_____	_____

Division Director Legal State Director

PPM-2021-83

Craig Markley, Planning, Programming and Modal Division Systems Planning Bureau; Pleasant Hill submitted an Iowa's Certified Site Program Local Development RISE funding request to assist in construction of approximately 1,395 feet of new roadway located on the northeast side of town. This project is necessary to provide access to the Pleasant Hill Commerce an Iowa Economic Development Authority certified site of more than 213 acres. The certification for this site expires December 11, 2022. Under RISE Local Development criteria this project received a rating of 59 points. Total estimated cost of the project is \$1,030,688. The city of Pleasant Hill is requesting a RISE grant of \$618,413 and will be providing 40% in local match. Since this is a certified site project the actual award amount is subject to change as the project plans are finalized. Any changes to the scope or approved funding will be submitted by department to the Commission where your consideration of the modification to the award.

It is recommending the Commission based on the capital investment commitment and potential for future job creation award a RISE grant of \$618,413 or up to 60% of the total RISE eligible project cost, whichever is less. Funding will come from the city share of the RISE fund.

Commissioner Yanney made a motion to award the RISE grant for Pleasant Hill. Commissioner Juckette seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER**

Division/Bureau/Office Transportation Development Division
Systems Planning Bureau Order No. PPM-2021-84
Submitted by Craig Markley Phone No. 515-239-1027 Meeting Date May 11, 2021
Title Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Waterloo

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

The city of Waterloo submitted a RISE Immediate Opportunity application requesting a grant to assist in construction of approximately 1,025 feet of Lake Street located on the northwest side of town. This project is anticipated to be completed by May 2022.

Because this project will provide access to two lots totaling more than 32 acres for industrial purposes and to maximize RISE support for this project, staff evaluated the application as a RISE Local Development project.

The evaluation and rating for the project will be discussed.

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission, based on the capital investment commitment and potential for future job creation, reclassify the project as a RISE Local Development project in the February 2021 round of applications and award a RISE grant of \$291,952 or up to 50 percent of the total RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less, from the city share of the RISE Fund.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by Kathy Fehrman Seconded by Tom Rielly

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Arnold	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Fehrman	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Juckette	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Maher	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Putney	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Rielly	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Yanney	<u>x</u>	_____	_____

Division Director Legal State Director

PPM-2021-84

Craig Markley, Planning, Programming and Modal Division Systems Planning Bureau; Waterloo submitted an Immediate Opportunity RISE funding request to construct approximately 1025 feet of Lake Street located on the northwest side of town. Because this project will provide access to two lots totaling more than 32 acres for industrial purposes and to maximize RISE support for the project, staff evaluated the application as a RISE Local Development project. Under RISE Local Development criteria, the project scored 65 points. Total estimated cost of the project is \$583,904. The city of Waterloo is requesting a RISE grant of \$291,952 and will be providing 50% local match.

It is recommended the Commission, based on the capital investment commitment and potential for future job creation, reclassify the project as a RISE Local Development in the February 2021 round of applications and award a RISE grant of \$291,952 or up to 50% of the total RISE eligible project costs, whichever is less. Funding would come from the city share the RISE fund.

Commissioner Fehrman made a motion to reclassify the project as RISE Local Development project and award the RISE grant for Waterloo. Commissioner Rielly seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER**

Division/Bureau/Office Transportation Development Division
Systems Planning Bureau Order No. PPM-2021-85
 Submitted by Craig Markley Phone No. 515-239-1027 Meeting Date May 11, 2021
 Title Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Davenport

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

The city of Davenport submitted a RISE Immediate Opportunity application requesting a grant to support a potential Iowa's Certified Site location. The commitment would assist in attracting RISE-eligible business by providing funding to make any necessary roadway improvements to Hillandale Road, Research Parkway, Northwest Boulevard, 76th Street and North Division Street located on the northwest side of town.

This project is necessary to provide improved access to the Eastern Iowa Industrial Center, a potential new and recertified Iowa Economic Development Authority certified site of more than 158 acres. To maximize RISE support for this project, staff evaluated the application as an Iowa's Certified Site Program RISE Local Development application.

Project information will be discussed.

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission, based on potential capital investment and future job creation, reclassify the project as a RISE Local Development project in the February 2021 round of applications and commit RISE funds to the city of Davenport for up to 60 percent of the total RISE-eligible project cost. Per the Iowa's Certified Sites Program RISE policy, final scope and funding will be submitted at a later date by the department to the Commission for final award of a dollar amount. In addition, this commitment is contingent on Certified Site approval from IEDA.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by Charese Yanney Seconded by Tom Rielly

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Arnold	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Fehrman	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Juckette	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Maher	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Putney	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Rielly	<u>x</u>	_____	_____
Yanney	<u>x</u>	_____	_____

Division Director Legal State Director

PPM-2021-85

Craig Markley, Planning, Programming and Modal Division Systems Planning Bureau; Davenport submitted a RISE Immediate opportunity application requesting a grant for a potential Iowa certified site location. This commitment would assist in attracting RISE eligible business by providing funding to make any necessary roadway improvements to Hillandale Road, Research Parkway, Northwest Boulevard, 76th Street and North Division Street located on the northwest side of town. This project is necessary to provide improved access to the Eastern Iowa Industrial Center, a potential new and recertified Iowa Economic Development Authority certified site of more than 158 acres. To maximize RISE support for this project staff evaluated the application as Iowa's Certified Site Program RISE Local Development application.

It is recommended the Commission, based on potential capital investment and future job creation, reclassify the project as a RISE Local Development project in the February 2021 round of applications and commit RISE funds to the city of Davenport for up to 60 percent of the total RISE-eligible project cost. Per the Iowa's Certified Sites Program RISE policy, final scope and funding will be submitted at a later date by the department to the Commission for final award of a dollar amount. In addition, this commitment is contingent on Certified Site approval from IEDA.

Commissioner Yanney made a motion to reclassify the project as RISE Local Development project and award the RISE grant for Davenport. Commissioner Rielly seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER**

Transportation Development Division

Division/Bureau/Office Systems Planning Bureau Order No. PPM-2021-86

Submitted by Jeff von Brown Phone No. 515-239-1554 Meeting Date May 11, 2021

Title Commercial and Industrial Network Modification

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

A recent change to the Iowa highway system requires the following modification to the Commercial and Industrial Network (CIN):

- Adding CIN designation in Dubuque county due to the completion of the Southwest Arterial connecting U.S. 20 on the west end to U.S. 61/U.S. 151 on the east end. Mileage added is 5.399 for a new CIN total of approximately 2,527.

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission approve this modification to the CIN.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by Tom Rielly Seconded by John Putney

Division Director Legal State Director

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Arnold	x	_____	_____
Fehrman	x	_____	_____
Juckette	x	_____	_____
Maher	x	_____	_____
Putney	x	_____	_____
Rielly	x	_____	_____
Yanney	x	_____	_____

PPM-2021-86

Jeff von Brown, Systems Planning Bureau; Last month I presented a recommended change to the Commercial Industrial Network designation and abbreviations. This is due to the completion of the Southwest Arterial that lies partly in the city limits of Dubuque but with the majority in the county. The Arterial connects U.S. 20 on the west end to U.S. 61/U.S. 151 on the east end and is signed as US 52. Mileage added is 5.399 for a new CIN total of approximately 2,527. This within the 2,600 mile state code of Iowa cap that has been set for the CIN network.

It is recommended that the Commission to approve this modification to the CIN.

Commissioner Rielly made a motion approve this modification to the CIN. Commissioner Putney seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER

Division/Bureau/Office Transportation Development Division Order No. PPM-2021-87
Submitted by Stuart Anderson Phone No. 515-239-1661 Meeting Date May 11, 2021
Title Draft 2022-2026 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

The draft 2022-2026 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program will be reviewed.

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

For information only.

COMMISSION ACTION:

For information only, no action taken.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Arnold	_____	_____	_____
Fehrman	_____	_____	_____
Juckette	_____	_____	_____
Maher	_____	_____	_____
Putney	_____	_____	_____
Rielly	_____	_____	_____
Yanney	_____	_____	_____

Division Director Legal State Director

PPM-2021-87

Stuart Anderson, Transportation Development Division; This is information only, and this is intended to formally announce the availability of the Draft 2022 to 2026 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program for public comment. The document is now available on the DOT's website and the draft program includes approximately \$3.6 billion of state and federal funding allocated to specific road and bridge projects on the state highway system over the next five years. In addition, the document includes a summary of your actions in the past year to award funds to all other modal programs that the DOT administers we will take public input over the next month. We will share that input with you and bring back a recommended final program for your action at the June meeting. So at this time I'd be happy to take any questions.