## IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### AGENDA ITEMS/COMMISSION ORDERS

Tuesday, April 10, 2012  
Comfort Suites Conference Center  
1780 Stonegate Center Drive  
Burlington

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8:20 a.m.  
Adjourn/Public Input

*Action Item

On Monday, April 9, 2012, the Commission and staff will tour transportation projects in southeast Iowa starting at 10 a.m. at the DOT Maintenance Shop, 417 Lake Park Blvd., Muscatine, and ending around 3 p.m. at the Comfort Suites Hotel and Conference Center, 1780 Stonegate Center Drive in Burlington. The Commission and staff will hold an informal meeting at the Comfort Suites beginning at 3:30 p.m. Transportation-related matters will be discussed but no action will be taken.
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER

Division/Bureau/Office: Director’s Office
Submitter: Connie Page
Phone: 515-239-1242
Meeting Date: April 10, 2012
Title: Approve Minutes of the March 13, 2012, Commission Meeting

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

PROPOSAL/ACTION/RECOMMENDATION:
It is recommended the Commission approve the minutes of the March 13, 2012, Commission meeting.

COMMISSION ACTION:
Moved by Cleaveland Seconded by Yanney

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Commission Comment

1. **Monday's Tour**

   Commission Chair Reasner expressed appreciation to staff for yesterday’s tour. We drove U.S. 61 from Muscatine to Burlington. We also drove on U.S. 34, Iowa 2, and U.S. 218 to Mount Pleasant and then back to Burlington. The Commission and staff discussed a number of projects that have either been completed or are on our radar for possible programming.

   After returning to the hotel, Commission Chair Reasner said the Commission and staff met for a couple hours in a workshop where we discussed some of the items on the agenda. We are also in the midst of our planning for the five-year program so we spent some time on that as well.
DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

The city of Vinton submitted a RISE Local Development application in the February 2012 round requesting a grant to assist in reconstruction of approximately 2,000 feet of West 13th Street and turn-lane improvements on U.S. 218/K Avenue located on the west side of town. This project is necessary to provide improved access to more than 61 acres for light industrial purposes. This project is anticipated to be completed by May 2014.

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 of $718,405 or up to 50 percent of the total RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less, from the city share of the RISE Fund.
Craig Markley, Office of System Planning, reviewed a RISE Local Development application from the city of Vinton requesting funding to reconstruct approximately 2,000 feet of West 13th Street and turn-lane improvements on U.S. 218/K Avenue on the west side of town. The project is necessary to provide access to more than 61 acres for light industrial purposes.

Mr. Markley said under RISE local development criteria the project received a rating of 41 points. The total estimated project cost is $1,436,809, and the city is requesting a RISE grant of $718,405 and will provide a 50 percent local match. He noted a delegation from Vinton is participating by telephone and he invited Andrew Lent, City Coordinator, to make comments.

Mr. Lent said the road that is going to be reconstructed is West 13th Street. About 2,100 feet is mainly for development of 18 acres by New Century Farm Service for a new facility that will be served by road and rail.

Jim Jacobs, Century Farm Service, said this project is important for them to serve farmers in a 40-mile radius of Vinton. They will also supplement other area co-ops with inventory needs throughout the year.

Mr. Markley reviewed staff’s recommendation.

Commissioner Rose moved, Commissioner Wiley seconded the Commission award, based on the capital investment commitment and potential for future job creation, a RISE grant of $718,405 or up to 50 percent of the total RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less, from the city share of the RISE fund. All voted aye.
RISE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING
February 2012
SUMMARY

Applicant: City of Vinton
Multiyear?: No
Multijurisdiction?: No

ROAD PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: To reconstruct approximately 2,000 feet of West 13th Street and turn-lane improvements on U.S. 218/K Avenue located on the west side of town.

ASSOCIATED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: This project will provide improved access to more than 61 acres for light industrial purposes.

PROJECT FINANCING:

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Local Match (Total): $718,404

PROJECT EVALUATION:

Development Potential (35): 20
Economic Impact and Cost Effect. (20): 2
Local Committ. and Initiative (35): 14
Transportation Need (4): 1
Local Economic Need (6): 4

Total Rating: 41

Jobs: 0

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Award a grant of $718,405 or up to 50 percent of the RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less. Funding will come from the city share of the RISE Fund.
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER

Planning, Programming and Modal Division
Office of Systems Planning

Order No. PPM-2012-56

Submitted by Craig Markley Phone No. 515-239-1027
Meeting Date April 10, 2012

Title Revitalize Iowa’s Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Waukon (Delegation)

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

The city of Waukon submitted a RISE Local Development application in the February 2012 round requesting a grant to assist in construction of approximately 480 feet of Fifth Street Southwest located on the southwest side of town. This project is necessary to provide access to three lots totaling more than eight acres for industrial and manufacturing purposes. This project is anticipated to be completed by September 2012.

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 of $97,244 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 ____________________________ Seconded by ____________________________

Blouin
Cleaveland
Miles
Reasner
Rose
Wiley
Yanney

Aye  Vote  Pass

Division Director Legal State Director
Craig Markley, Office of Systems Planning, said the city of Waukon submitted a RISE Local Development application to construct approximately 480 feet of Fifth Street Southwest on the southwest side of town. This project will provide access to three lots totaling more than eight acres for industrial and manufacturing purposes. Under RISE Local Development criteria this project received a rating of 52 points. The total estimated project cost is $194,488, and the city is requesting a RISE grant of $97,244 and will provide a 50 percent local match. He noted a delegation from Waukon is participating by telephone and he invited Laura Olson, Executive Director, Allamakee County Economic Development to provide comments.

Ms. Olson said the delegation participating by telephone include Loren Beneke, Mayor of Waukon; Joe Cunningham, City Council; and Dennis DeBuhr and Cassie Tysland, Waukon Economic Development Corporation. Ms. Olson said this road is 480 feet in their existing industrial park and they are working closely with an out-of-state business that is hoping to relocate and purchase two of the lots next to the road which would create 25 jobs for the city of Waukon.

Mr. Markley reviewed staff’s recommendation.

Commissioner Miles moved, Commissioner Yanney seconded the Commission award, based on the capital investment commitment and potential for future job creation, a RISE grant of $97,244 or up to 50 percent of the total RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less, from the city share of the RISE fund. All voted aye.
RISE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING
February 2012
SUMMARY

Applicant: City of Waukon
Multiyear?: No
Multijurisdiction?: No

ROAD PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: To construct approximately 480 feet of Fifth Street Southwest located on the southwest side of town.

ASSOCIATED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: This project will provide access to three lots totaling more than eight acres for industrial and manufacturing purposes.

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Total Rating: 52

Jobs: 25

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Award a grant of $97,244 or up to 50 percent of the RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less. Funding will come from the city share of the RISE Fund.
CITY OF WAUKON

PROJECT LOCATION
DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

The city of Spencer submitted a RISE Immediate Opportunity application requesting a grant to assist in construction of approximately 1,260 feet of East Eighth Street located on the east side of town. This project is anticipated to be completed by August 2012.

Because this project will provide access to more than 111 acres for heavy 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 2012 round of applications and award a RISE grant of $140,342 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 ______________________ Seconded by ______________________

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Craig Markley, Office of Systems Planning, said the city of Spencer submitted an Immediate Opportunity RISE funding request to construct approximately 1,260 feet of East Eighth Street on the east side of town. The improvement will provide access to more than 111 acres for heavy industrial purposes; however, based on capital investment, job creation, and acres to be opened by the proposed roadway improvements, it is better suited as a RISE Local Development project. Under RISE Local Development criteria, the project scored 45 points. The total estimated project cost is $280,684 and the city is requesting a RISE grant of $140,342 and will provide a 50 percent local match.

Mr. Markley said the Spencer delegation is participating by telephone and he invited Robert Fagen, City Manager, to provide comments. Mr. Fagen said also present for the discussion are Ted Kourousis, Northwest Iowa Planning and Development Commission; Jeff Thiesse, Kruse Cate and Nelson Engineering; Kathy Evert, Iowa Lakes Corridor Development Corporation; and Brian Weuve, Spencer Finance Director. Mr. Fagen said they are requesting help to build approximately 1,250 feet of street into their industrial park. They are also working with Pioneer to build a 200,000 square foot building.

Mr. Markley reviewed staff’s recommendation.

Commissioner Cleaveland moved, Commissioner Rose seconded 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 2012 round of applications and award a RISE grant of $140,342 or up to 50 percent of the total RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less, from the city share of the RISE fund. All voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 a.m.
Applicant: City of Spencer  
Multiyear?: No  
Multi-jurisdiction?: No

ROAD PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: To construct approximately 1,260 feet of East Eighth Street located on the east side of town.

ASSOCIATED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: This project will provide access to more than 111 acres for heavy industrial purposes.

PROJECT FINANCING:
- Roadway Project Cost: $280,684
- RISE (Total): $140,342
- Grant: $140,342
- Loan: $0
- Loan Terms: Yrs.: 0  
  Int.: 0 %

Local Match (Total): $140,342
- Up-Front: $140,342
- NPV of Loan Repayment: 0
- Effective Match Percent: 50
- Up-front Participation Sources:
  - Private: $140,342
  - Public: $140,342

Local Match (Total): $140,342

PROJECT EVALUATION:
- Development Potential (35): 15
- Economic Impact and Cost Effect (20): 12
- Local Commit. and Initiative (35): 13
- Transportation Need (4): 1
- Local Economic Need (6): 4

Total Rating: 45

Jobs: 12

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:
Award a grant of $140,342 or up to 50 percent of the RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less. Funding will come from the city share of the RISE Fund.
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
PUBLIC INPUT MEETING
Comfort Suites Hotel and Conference Center
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Message from the Commission:
Welcome to the Iowa Transportation Commission (Commission) public input meeting. As I said earlier, during our business meeting, the Commission travels to different locations in the state every April, June, August and October in an effort to review ongoing or proposed projects. This is also our opportunity to hear from any member of the public who wants to address the Commission about any transportation topic. We welcome those comments.

Many of you in the audience are representatives of cities, counties, planning organizations or coalitions organized around a particular transportation goal. And, many of you representatives occasionally attend these public input meetings in order to thank the Commission for past project assistance, or to propose new partnerships. We welcome those comments, as well. However, please understand that in some cases the Commission is hearing about a proposed project for the first time, so that we may have questions about the project, but we would not have any ability to comment on the merits of the proposal until we receive staff input and until we begin our planning sessions (typically held every January to April). And, in some cases, the Commission is hearing about a proposed project that it has reviewed in the past but will have no comment as the project is not in the five year program at this time and we cannot say until our planning sessions whether the project will become eligible for funding in the five year program. Please consider this an opportunity for you to share your thoughts and concerns with us, and for us to consider those thoughts and concerns as well as review them with staff after gathering necessary information about how the issues may impact our various grant programs or our five year transportation program.

As always, you can find out more about the Commission and our meetings at [www.iowadot.gov/commission/commission.htm](http://www.iowadot.gov/commission/commission.htm) or you may reach out to us via email or telephone at our contact information listed on that web page.

Amy L. Reasner, Chair
Iowa Transportation Commission