

Commission Minutes

May 9, 2023



IOWA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Meeting Agenda / Commission Orders

May 9, 2023
Materials Conference Room
Ames DOT Complex

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| D-2023-70 1:00 p.m. | * Approve Minutes of the April 11, 2023 Meeting Commission Comments DOT Comments | Cindy Dorhout | 2 |
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| TD-2023-73 1:10 p.m. | Draft 2024-2028 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program (for information only) Adjourn | Stuart Anderson | 8 |

*Action Item

On Tuesday, May 9, 2023 the Commission and staff will meet informally at 10:00 a.m. in the Materials Conference Room at the DOT complex in Ames. 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-2023-70
Submitted by Cindy Dorhout Phone No. 515-239-1067 Meeting Date May 9, 2023
Title Approve Minutes of the April 11, 2023 Commission Meeting

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission approve the minutes of the April 11, 2023 Commission Meeting.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by Kathy Fehrman Seconded by Sally Stutsman

Division Director Legal State Director

| | Aye | Vote Nay | Pass |
|----------|----------|-------------|-------|
| Arnold | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Fehrman | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Gaesser | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Juckette | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Rielly | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Stutsman | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Yanney | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |

D-2023-70

Cindy Dorhout - Director's Office

Commissioner Arnold called the meeting to order.

He began by asking for approval of the minutes from the April 11, 2023 Commission meeting.

Commissioner Fehrman moved, and

Commissioner Stutsman seconded a motion to approve.

The vote to approve was unanimous.

Commission Comments: None

DOT Comments: None

Commissioner's present - Richard Arnold, Charese Yanney, Kathy Fehrman, Tom Rielly, Sally Stutsman, Ray Gaesser, and Linda Juckette

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER**

Division/Bureau/Office Transportation Development Division
Systems Planning Bureau Order No. TD-2023-71
 Submitted by Debra Arp Phone No. 515-239-1681 Meeting Date May 9, 2023
 Title Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Clinton

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

The city of Clinton submitted a RISE Immediate Opportunity application requesting a grant to assist in construction of approximately 4,650 feet of 36th Avenue South located on the southwest side of town.

Because this project will provide improved access to Lincolnway Industrial Rail and Air Park, an Iowa Economic Development Authority certified site of more than 375 acres, and to maximize RISE support for this project, staff evaluated the application as an Iowa's Certified Site Program RISE Local Development project. The certification for this site expires April 14, 2028.

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 an Iowa's Certified Site Program RISE Local Development project in the February 2023 round of applications and award a RISE grant from the city share of the RISE Fund. The estimated total RISE-eligible project cost is \$4,866,250 and the estimated RISE grant is \$2,919,750 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 Tom Rielly Seconded by Charese Yanney

| | Aye | Vote Nay | Pass |
|----------|----------|-------------|-------|
| Arnold | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Fehrman | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Gaesser | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Juckette | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Rielly | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Stutsman | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Yanney | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |

Division Director Legal State Director

TD-2023-71

Deb Arp - Transportation Development Division

The City of Clinton submitted a RISE Immediate Opportunity Application requesting a grant to assist in construction of approximately 4,650 feet of 36th Avenue South, located on the southwest side of town, providing a direct route to the existing interchange with US 30 at 380th Avenue from the proposed site of Atlas Roofing Corporation, a roofing material manufacturer. Because this project will provide improved access to the Lincoln Way Industrial Rail and Air Park and Iowa Economic Development Authority certified site of more than 375 acres and to maximize RISE support for the project, staff evaluated the application as an Iowa Certified Site Program RISE Local Development Project. Under our RISE Local Development Criteria, the project scores 75 points. The total estimated cost for the project is \$4,866,250. The city is requesting a RISE grant of 2,919,750 and we 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 the department to the Commission for consideration. As a modification to the award, it is recommended the Commission, based on the capital investment commitment and potential for future job creation, reclassify the project as an Iowa Certified Site Program Rise Local Development Project in the February 2023 round of applications and award a RISE grant of \$2,919,750 or up to 60% of the total rise eligible project cost, whichever is less from the city share of the RISE fund.

Commissioner Rielly moved, and
Commissioner Yanney seconded a motion to approve.
The vote to approve was unanimous.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER**

Division/Bureau/Office Transportation Development Division
Systems Planning Bureau Order No. TD-2023-72
Submitted by Debra Arp Phone No. 515-239-1681 Meeting Date May 9, 2023
Title Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Grimes

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

The city of Grimes submitted a RISE Local Development application in the February 2023 round requesting a grant to assist in construction of approximately 945 feet of SE Park Drive and 790 feet of SE 40th Street located on the south side of town.

This project is necessary to provide improved access to three lots totaling more than 57 acres for office, distribution, and warehousing purposes. This project is anticipated to be completed by May 2025.

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 \$1,033,391 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 Sally Stutsman

| | Aye | Vote Nay | Pass |
|----------|----------|-------------|-------|
| Arnold | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Fehrman | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Gaesser | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Juckette | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Rielly | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Stutsman | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Yanney | <u>x</u> | _____ | _____ |

Division Director Legal State Director

TD-2023-72

Deb Arp - Transportation Development

The City of Grimes submitted a Local Development RISE application requesting a grant to assist in construction of approximately 945 feet of Southeast Park Drive and 790 feet of Southeast 40th Street located on the south side of town. The project will provide improved access to three lots totaling more than 57 acres for office distribution and warehousing purposes. Under our RISE Local Development Criteria, the project scores 46 points. The total estimated cost of the project is \$2,066,781. The city is requesting a RISE grant of \$1,033,391 and will be providing 50% in local match. It is recommended the Commission based on the capital investment commitment and potential for future job creation award a RISE grant of \$1,033,391 or up to 50% of the total RISE eligible project cost, whichever is less from the city share of the RISE fund.

Commissioner Fehrman moved, and
Commissioner Stutsman seconded a motion to approve.
The vote to approve was unanimous.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER

Division/Bureau/Office Transportation Development Division Order No. TD-2023-73
Submitted by Stuart Anderson Phone No. 515-239-1661 Meeting Date May 9, 2023
Title Draft 2024-2028 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

The draft 2024-2028 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program will be reviewed.

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

For information only.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Division Director Legal State Director

| | Aye | Vote Nay | Pass |
|----------|-------|-------------|-------|
| Arnold | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Fehrman | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Gaesser | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Juckette | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Rielly | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Stutsman | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Yanney | _____ | _____ | _____ |

TD-2023-73

Stuart Anderson - Director - Transportation Development Division

For Information Only

Over the last six months, you've been working on the development of the 2024 to 2028 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program. The program documents your investments for all modes of transportation. However, much of your time is spent on developing the Highway Program because that program lists specific highway and bridge projects anticipated to be constructed over the next five years on the state roadway system. There is approximately \$4.3 billion of state and federal funding available for construction projects in the Five-Year Program. Of that amount, reflecting your commitment and priority on stewardship, \$3.5 billion is allocated directly towards stewardship investments on our pavements and bridges. As we've discussed extensively, construction costs over the last year have continued to increase significantly while the available funding for those construction projects has remained relatively flat. This has forced you to take several actions to balance the program as you develop this draft document and that's included proposing to delay 12 projects by up to one year. Through these actions, the draft program continues all projects in the previous program. In other words, there were no projects that had to be removed from previous programs. The program is now in draft format and it's available for public review and comment. We will share comments with you at the June meeting and bring a final version of the program for your consideration for action at the June meeting. This item is just for information only and a press release will be going out right when the meeting concludes with the link to the website for the public to review the draft program document.