

Commission Workshop
Summary and Commission
Meeting Minutes

June 8 & 9, 2026

June 8, 2026 Commission Workshop Summary

The Commission workshop began at 3:30 pm on June 8, 2026. The meeting was held in the Hotel Pattee in Perry, Iowa.

Commissioner present: Ray Gaesser, Sally Stutsman, Linda Juckette, Brian Quirk, Mary Mulgrew Gronen and Bill Anderson. Commissioner Rich Arnold was present via phone.

The following items were discussed at the workshop:

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| 1. | Commission Input | Commission | 5 min. |
| 2. | Director's Welcome | Scott Marler | 5 min. |
| 3. | Transportation Trends Update | | 5 min. |
| | | Charlie Purcell, Director
Transportation Development
Division | |
| 4. | Highway Program Balance Report | | 5 min. |
| | | Matt Chambers
Program Management Bureau | |
| 5. | Highway Program Discussion | | 5 min. |
| | | Charlie Purcell, Director
Transportation Development
Division | |
| 6. | RISE Projects
- Iowa City Local Development | | 10 min. |
| | | Deb Arp, Team Leader
Local Systems Bureau | |
| 6. | Public Transit Long Range Plan | | 20 min. |
| | | Kristin Haar, Transit Director
Modal Transportation Bureau | |

IOWA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Meeting Agenda / Commission Orders

June 9, 2026

Hotel Pattee, 1112 Willis Ave. Perry, IA 50220

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8:00 a.m.			
D-2026-92	*Approve Minutes of the May 12, 2026 Commission Meeting	Jill Smith	2
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8:10 a.m.	Adjourn		
*Action Item			

On Monday, June 8th, the Commission and staff will meet informally at 3:30 p.m. at the Hotel Pattee in Perry, IA. 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-2026-92
Submitted by Jill Smith Phone No. 515-239-1067 Meeting Date June 9, 2026
Title Approve Minutes of the May 12, 2026 Commission Meeting

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission approve the minutes of the May 12, 2026 Commission Meeting.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by Anderson Seconded by Juckette

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Anderson	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Arnold	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Gaesser	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Juckette	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mulgrew Gronen	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Quirk	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Stutsman	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

<u> </u> Division Director	<u> </u> Legal	<u> </u> State Director
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Commissioner Gaesser called the meeting to order at 8:00 am on June 9, 2026, in the Hotel Pattee in Perry, Iowa.

Commissioners present: Ray Gaesser, Sally Stutsman, Linda Juckette, Mary Mulgrew Gronen, Bill Anderson and Brian Quirk. Commissioner Rich Arnold was present via phone.

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Jill Smith, Director's Office

Commissioner Gaesser asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2026, Commission meeting.

Commissioner Anderson moved and Commissioner Juckette seconded a motion to approve.

There were no further questions or comments.

The vote to approve was unanimous.

Commissioner Comments

Thank you to district staff for the amazing tour yesterday. It was a wonderful opportunity to learn and see things within the district.

DOT Comments Comments

Thank you for district staff for the planning and coordination that takes place during these tours. Also, thank you to the town of Perry for their hospitality.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER

Transportation Development Division
Division/Bureau/Office Local Systems Bureau Order No. TD-2026-93
Submitted by Debra Arp Phone No. 515-239-1681 Meeting Date June 9, 2026
Title Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Iowa City

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

Iowa City submitted a RISE Local Development application in the February 2026 round requesting a grant to assist in construction of approximately 625 feet of Moss Ridge Road located on the northeast side of town.

This project is necessary to provide improved access to two lots totaling nearly 18 acres for manufacturing and industrial purposes. This project is anticipated to be completed by June 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, award a RISE grant of \$419,582 or up to 50 percent of the total RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less, from the city share of the RISE Fund.

			Vote		
			Aye	Nay	Pass
COMMISSION ACTION:			Anderson	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>
			Arnold	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>
			Gaesser	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>
	Moved by	<u>Stutsman</u>	Juckette	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>
			Mulgrew Gronen	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>
			Quirk	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>
			Stutsman	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>
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Division Director	Legal	State Director			

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Deb Arp, Transportation Development Division

The city of Iowa City submitted a RISE Local Development application to assist in the construction of approximately 625 feet of Moss Ridge Road on the northeast side of town. This project is necessary to provide access to two lots totaling nearly 18 acres for industrial purposes.

Under our RISE Local Development criteria, this project received a rating of 43 points. The project is anticipated to be completed by June 2028 and the total estimated cost of the project is \$839,163. The city of Iowa City is requesting a RISE grant of \$419,582 and will be providing 50 percent 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 \$419,582 or up to 50 percent of the total RISE-eligible project cost, whichever is less. Funding will come from the city share of the RISE Fund.

Commissioner Stutsman moved and Commissioner Juckette seconded a motion to approve.

There were no further questions or comments.

The vote to approve was unanimous.

Commission Comments

None

DOT Comments Comments

None

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER

Division/Bureau/Office Transportation Development Division Order No. TD-2026-94
Submitted by Charlie Purcell Phone No. 515-239-1592 Meeting Date June 9, 2026
Title 2027-2031 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program

The 2027-2031 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program will be presented for final review and action.

In addition to approving the use of condemnation authority, if necessary, to acquire property for the projects in the highway section, approval of this Commission Order also authorizes the temporary transfer of funds from the RISE fund to the Primary Road Fund, if necessary, to meet anticipated road construction costs. Pursuant to Iowa Code Section 315.3(3)(b), attached is the letter from Iowa DOT Director Scott Marler certifying the cash flow funding of the department may be inadequate to meet anticipated road construction costs. Any funds transferred shall be repaid to the RISE fund within six months of transfer.

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission approve and authorize distribution of the 2027-2031 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program. It is also recommended the Commission approve the use of condemnation, if necessary, to acquire property for the projects in the highway section. Finally, it is recommended the Commission authorize the temporary transfer of funds from the RISE fund to the Primary Road Fund, if necessary.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by Juckette Seconded by Quirk

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Anderson	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Arnold	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Gaesser	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Juckette	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mulgrew Gronen	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Quirk	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Stutsman	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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May 12, 2026

Iowa Transportation Commission

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Linda Juckette

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Bill Anderson, Vice-Chair

Rich Arnold

Brian Quirk

Sally Stutsman

Mary Mulgrew Gronen

Re: Request for Authorization to Borrow Funds from the RISE Fund

Dear Commissioners,

As we have in past years, we are requesting your authorization to temporarily transfer funds from the RISE fund to the Primary Road Fund (PRF) during state fiscal year 2027. This request is made pursuant to section 315.3(3)(b) of the Iowa Code, which states:

If the state transportation commission receives and files a letter from the director of transportation certifying that the cash flow funding of the department may be inadequate to meet anticipated road construction costs, the commission may authorize the temporary transfer of funds from the RISE fund to the primary road fund. Funds transferred under this paragraph shall be repaid to the RISE fund within six months of transfer.

While we're currently experiencing favorable project lettings and PRF revenues are coming in slightly ahead of forecast, there is significant uncertainty in the coming year. We're seeing petroleum and fuel prices rise which could impact future project lettings. We also have a higher level of uncertainty of federal funding due to the expiration of the current authorization bill this September 30 and the status of discretionary grants. Therefore, by this letter, I am certifying the cash flow funding of the department may be inadequate to meet anticipated road construction costs during fiscal year 2027. We don't expect to have a need to temporarily transfer funds from the RISE fund, but it is prudent to secure this authorization should the need arise.

We will continue to provide monthly updates throughout the year on the status of PRF revenue and expenditures and will advise you if it proves necessary to borrow RISE funds. If we do borrow RISE funds, we do not expect that would impact your ability to continue to award RISE funding to all eligible projects. In addition, as required by Iowa Code, any funds borrowed and transferred will be repaid to the RISE fund within six months of transfer.

Our request for your authorization will be part of our recommendation for Commission approval of the 2027-2031 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program, and your authorization would be memorialized in the order approving the program. A copy of the proposed order is included with this letter. The authorization to borrow will apply through the end of fiscal year 2027 which is June 30, 2027.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like additional information. I look forward to seeing you all in June.

Sincerely,

Scott C. Marler, Director

TD-2026-94

Charlie Purcell, Transportation Development Division

The Iowa Transportation Improvement Program for the years 2027-2031 is presented for final review and action.

In addition to approving the use of condemnation authority, if necessary, to acquire property for the projects in the highway section, approval of this Commission Order also authorizes the temporary transfer of funds from the RISE fund to the Primary Road Fund, if necessary, to meet anticipated road construction costs. Pursuant to Iowa Code Section 315.3(3)(b), Iowa DOT Director Scott Marler has certified the cash flow fund of the department may be inadequate to meet anticipated road construction costs. Any funds transferred shall be repaid to the RISE fund within six months of transfer.

It is recommended the Commission approve and authorize distribution of the 2027-2031 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program. It is also recommended the Commission approve the use of condemnation, if necessary, to acquire property for the projects in the highway section. Finally, it is recommended the Commission authorize the temporary transfer of funds from the RISE fund to the Primary Road Fund, if necessary.

There were no further questions or comments.

The meeting was adjourned 8:07 a.m.