

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

AGENDA ITEMS/COMMISSION ORDERS

Tuesday, June 8, 2010  
Comfort Inn & Suites  
6169 Reve Court, Hwy. 61 S.  
Fort Madison

ITEM NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTED BY	PAGE
D-2010-61 8:00 a.m.	*Approving Minutes of the May 11, 2010, Commission Meeting  Commission Comments  Staff Comments	Connie Page	1
PPM-2010-62 8:05 a.m.	*Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Johnston (Delegation)	Craig Markley	2
PPM-2010-63 8:10 a.m.	*Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Rock Valley (Delegation)	Craig Markley	5
PPM-2010-64 8:15 a.m.	*2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program	Jon Ranney	8
8:30 a.m.	Public Input Meeting		

\*Action Item

On Monday, June 7, the Commission and staff will tour transportation projects in Southeast Iowa starting at 10 a.m. at the Comfort Inn & Suites, 6169 Reve Court, Hwy. 61 S. in Fort Madison and ending back at the hotel around 3 p.m. The Commission and staff will hold an informal meeting at the Comfort Inn beginning at 4 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 Order No. D-2010-61  
Submitted by Connie Page Phone No. 515-239-1242 Meeting Date June 8, 2010  
Title Approve Minutes of the May 11, 2010, Commission Meeting

**DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:**

**PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended the Commission approve the minutes of the May 11, 2010, Commission meeting.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

Moved by Reasner Seconded by Cleveland

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Blouin	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Cleveland	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Durham	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Miles	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Reasner	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Sawtelle	<u>absent</u>	_____	_____
Wiley	<u>X</u>	_____	_____

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## Commission Comments

### 1. Monday's Commission Tour

Chairman Wiley said on Monday the Commission toured Southeast Iowa and he expressed appreciation to Brian Morrissey and Andy Loonan, District 5 Office, for providing the narrative of various ongoing and proposed projects. The Commission saw the work on the Fort Madison bypass, discussed the bridges at Fort Madison and Burlington, drove U.S. 61 through Burlington and Muscatine, drove Iowa 92, and drove the Avenue of the Saints to Fort Madison. We then stopped at the Siemens plant where we were given an exterior tour of the plant and a narrative of their operations. On behalf of the Commission, he expressed appreciation to staff for all the efforts to put the tour together.

### 2. U.S. 275/Iowa 92 Bridge Rededication

Commissioner Cleaveland said on Friday, May 28, he had the privilege of representing the Commission at the U.S. 275/Iowa 92 bridge rededication across the Missouri River. This was an \$88 million project that the state of Nebraska had the lead on. At the rededication ceremony, Governor Chet Culver gave a speech and the Marine color guard did a 21-gun salute. To commemorate that, Commissioner Cleaveland presented Director Nancy Richardson with a piece of the ribbon cut by Governor Culver.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION ORDER**

Division/Bureau/Office Planning, Programming and Modal Division  
Office of Systems Planning Order No. PPM-2010-62  
 Submitted by Craig Markley Phone No. 515-239-1027 Meeting Date June 8, 2010  
 Title Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Johnston (Delegation)

**DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:**

The city of Johnston submitted a RISE Immediate Opportunity application requesting a grant to assist in the reconstruction of approximately 7,755 feet of N.W. 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue in the center of town.

This improvement is necessary to provide access to the site of the proposed expansion of Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc. This company conforms to the legislative requirements of the RISE program.

The roadway will support:

- The creation of 495 new jobs at this facility.
- \$169,358,200 in associated capital investment.

The RISE cost per job assisted will be \$10,000, and there will be a total capital investment of \$34.21 for each RISE dollar requested.

**PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on the capital investment commitment and potential for job creation, it is recommended the Commission award a RISE grant of \$4,950,000 or up to 80 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 \_\_\_\_\_

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Blouin	_____	_____	_____
Cleveland	_____	_____	_____
Durham	_____	_____	_____
Miles	_____	_____	_____
Reasner	_____	_____	_____
Sawtelle	_____	_____	_____
Wiley	_____	_____	_____

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 Division Director                      Legal                      State Director

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Craig Markley, Office of Systems Planning, said the city of Johnston submitted an immediate opportunity RISE funding request to reconstruct approximately 7,755 feet of N.W. 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. The improvement will provide access to new and expanded Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., facilities. The proposed improvement will result in the creation of 495 new jobs in two years and an associated capital investment of \$169 million. The average starting wage of the positions to be created is \$25.73 which is 121 percent of Polk county's average wage rate of \$21.32. The recommended RISE grant is \$4,950,000; local participation is 39 percent or \$3,153,719. Total project cost is \$8,103,719. RISE cost per job assisted is \$10,000 and total capital investment per RISE dollar is \$34.21. He introduced Mayor Paula Dierenfeld, Johnston.

Mayor Dierenfeld said they are excited about Pioneer's proposed project. The project is actually two projects with some new construction as well as renovation or expansion of a current facility in Johnston. The new construction involves a 200,000 sq. ft. research office west of Pioneer's existing corporate campus. The new facility represents about \$30 to \$40 million of new capital investment and would result in the creation of 400 new jobs. She noted 87 percent of those jobs would be professional or research jobs with an average annual salary of \$53,000. The other project is an expansion of Pioneer's existing corporate campus. That would be a \$14.5 million expansion resulting in about 95 high-quality jobs of which about 85 percent would be professional or research jobs with an average annual salary of \$57,000. Primary access to both projects would be on 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

Mayor Dierenfeld said along the one mile stretch of 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue between 86<sup>th</sup> Street and Merle Hay are John Deere Credit, Pioneer's existing corporate campus, Johnston schools main campus (a high school, middle school, and elementary school) as well as Johnston's fire station. There is a lot of traffic and the road is close to reaching its capacity. These new projects will exacerbate the problem and accelerate the need to make road improvements on 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

Mayor Dierenfeld said Pioneer is a global company with over 20 locations in Iowa and 282 locations around the world. The improvements to this roadway are key to Pioneer locating these facilities in Johnston. This is a great project for Johnston and Iowa, and she requested the Commission's support of the RISE grant application.

Mr. Markley reviewed the recommendation of staff.

Commissioner Miles moved, Commissioner Cleaveland seconded the Commission based on the capital investment commitment and potential for job creation, award a RISE grant of \$4,950,000 or up to 80 percent of the total RISE eligible project cost, whichever is less, from the city share of the RISE fund. Commissioner Sawtelle absent; remaining Commissioners voted aye.

Date Submitted: May 6, 2010

Commission Date: June 8, 2010

## RISE Immediate Opportunity Funding Economic Analysis Summary

### GENERAL INFORMATION

**Applicant:** City of Johnston

**Project Location and Description:** The project is located between 86<sup>th</sup> Street and Merle Hay Road in Johnston. The city proposes to reconstruct approximately 7,755 feet of N.W. 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue in the center of town.

**Associated Economic Development:** The project provides the necessary access to support new and expanded Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc. facilities to be located on the north and south side of the proposed roadway. The project will result in the creation of 495 new jobs and a capital investment of \$169,358,200.

### ECONOMIC IMPACT

**Total Roadway Project Cost:** \$8,103,719

**RISE Funds Requested:** \$4,950,000; **Grant:** \$4,950,000; **Loan \$----**

**Effective Project Cost to RISE Program:** \$4,950,000

**Local Participation:** \$3,153,719; **Sources:** City of Johnston

**Non-RISE Total Capital Investment:** \$169,358,200

(**Public:** \$858,200; **Private:** \$168,500,000)

**Direct Jobs Created:** 495; (**Other, Potential Future Jobs:** 0)

**Direct Jobs Retained:** 0; **Total Direct Jobs Assisted, Short-Term:** 495

**Number of Existing Jobs:** 0

**Project Average Wage Rate of New Jobs:** \$25.73/hr.

**100% Polk County Average Wage Rate:** \$21.32/hr.

### KEY RATIOS

**Local Match Ratio:** 39% ( $\$3,153,719/\$8,103,719$ )

**RISE Cost Per Job Assisted (Created):**  $\$4,950,000/495 = \$10,000.00$

**Total Capital Investment Per RISE Dollar:**  $\$169,358,200/\$4,950,000 = \$34.21$

### CONCLUSIONS

**Narrative:** Based on the capital investment and job creation commitments, staff recommends a grant of \$4,950,000 or up to 80 percent of total RISE eligible project costs, whichever is less, from the city share of the RISE fund.

# Johnston



**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION ORDER**

Division/Bureau/Office Planning, Programming and Modal Division  
Office of Systems Planning Order No. PPM-2010-63  
 Submitted by Craig Markley Phone No. 515-239-1027 Meeting Date June 8, 2010  
 Title Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Application – Rock Valley (Delegation)

**DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:**

The city of Rock Valley submitted a RISE Immediate Opportunity application requesting a grant to assist in the construction of approximately 1,100 feet of Rock Ridge Road north of U.S. 18 and turn lane modifications for U.S. 18 on the east side of town.

These improvements are necessary to provide access to the site of the proposed expansion of Kooima Company. This company conforms to the legislative requirements of the RISE program.

The roadway will support:

- The creation of seven new jobs and retention of 80 jobs at this facility.
- \$5,962,891 in associated capital investment.

The RISE cost per job assisted will be \$6,101.66, and there will be a total capital investment of \$11.23 for each RISE dollar requested.

**PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on the capital investment commitment and potential for job creation, it is recommended the Commission award a RISE grant of \$530,844 or up to 80 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 \_\_\_\_\_

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Blouin	_____	_____	_____
Cleveland	_____	_____	_____
Durham	_____	_____	_____
Miles	_____	_____	_____
Reasner	_____	_____	_____
Sawtelle	_____	_____	_____
Wiley	_____	_____	_____

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Craig Markley, Office of Systems Planning, said the city of Rock Valley submitted a RISE immediate opportunity application requesting funding to construct approximately 1,100 feet of Rock Ridge Road north of U.S. 18 and turn lane modifications for U.S. 18 on the east side of town. The project is necessary to provide access to the site of the proposed expansion of Kooima Company, a metal fabrication and cutting operation and automated material handling facility. The proposed improvement will result in the creation of seven new jobs and retention of 80 jobs within two years along with an associated capital investment of almost \$6 million. The average starting wage of the positions to be created is \$14.60 which is 100 percent of the Sioux county average wage rate. The RISE grant recommended is \$530,844; local participation is 20 percent or \$132,711 with a total project cost of \$663,555. The RISE cost per job assisted is \$6,101.66 with a total capital investment per RISE dollar of \$11.23. He introduced Jim Halverson, Rock Valley City Engineer.

Mr. Halverson noted City Administrator Tom Van Maanen and City Economic Development Director Jim Vander Velde are participating in the discussion by telephone. Mr. Halverson said if the Commission awards this application, it will be the fifth RISE grant application awarded to Rock Valley. The prior awards have resulted in excess of 450 jobs in this relatively small northwest Iowa community. Kooima's proposed project involves an expansion of their existing facilities involving first the construction of a 94,000 sq. ft. building addition to provide new laser cutting facilities as well as automate their material handling operations. The second, separate building, would be built in two sections. As proposed, this year they would build a 22,500 sq. ft. building and next year a 15,000 sq. ft. addition. This will house facilities for self-propelled harvesting manufacturing facilities as well as rehabbing existing equipment.

Mr. Halverson said Kooima established itself in Rock Valley in 1988, has gone through a series of expansions, and currently employs 80 people. This proposal involves the creation of about 18 jobs, albeit seven are largely because of the timing of the facility construction. The project would also expand or provide access to an additional 200 acres which would help facilitate future job creation in that area.

Mr. Markley reviewed staff's recommendation.

Commissioner Durham moved, Commissioner Reasner seconded the Commission, based on the capital investment commitment and potential for job creation, award a RISE grant of \$530,844 or up to 80 percent of the total RISE eligible project cost, whichever is less, from the city share of the RISE fund. Commissioner Sawtelle absent; remaining Commissioners voted aye.

Date Submitted: May 18, 2010

Commission Date: June 8, 2010

## RISE Immediate Opportunity Funding Economic Analysis Summary

### GENERAL INFORMATION

**Applicant:** City of Rock Valley

**Project Location and Description:** The project is located north of U.S. 18 on the east side of town. The city proposes to construct approximately 1,100 feet of Rock Ridge Road north of U.S. 18 and turn lane modifications for U.S. 18.

**Associated Economic Development:** The project provides the necessary access to the site of the proposed expansion of Kooima Company to be located on the west side of the proposed roadway. The project will result in the creation of 7 new jobs and retention of 80 jobs and a capital investment of \$5,962,891.

### ECONOMIC IMPACT

**Total Roadway Project Cost:** \$663,555

**RISE Funds Requested:** \$530,844; **Grant:** \$530,844; **Loan \$----**

**Effective Project Cost to RISE Program:** \$530,844

**Local Participation:** \$132,711; **Sources:** City of Rock Valley

**Non-RISE Total Capital Investment:** \$5,962,891

(**Public:** \$362,891; **Private:** \$5,600,000)

**Direct Jobs Created:** 7; (**Other, Potential Future Jobs:** 0)

**Direct Jobs Retained:** 80; **Total Direct Jobs Assisted, Short-Term:** 87

**Number of Existing Jobs:** 80

**Project Average Wage Rate of New Jobs:** \$14.60

**100% Sioux County Average Wage Rate:** \$14.60/hr.

### KEY RATIOS

**Local Match Ratio:** 20% ( $\$132,711/\$663,555$ )

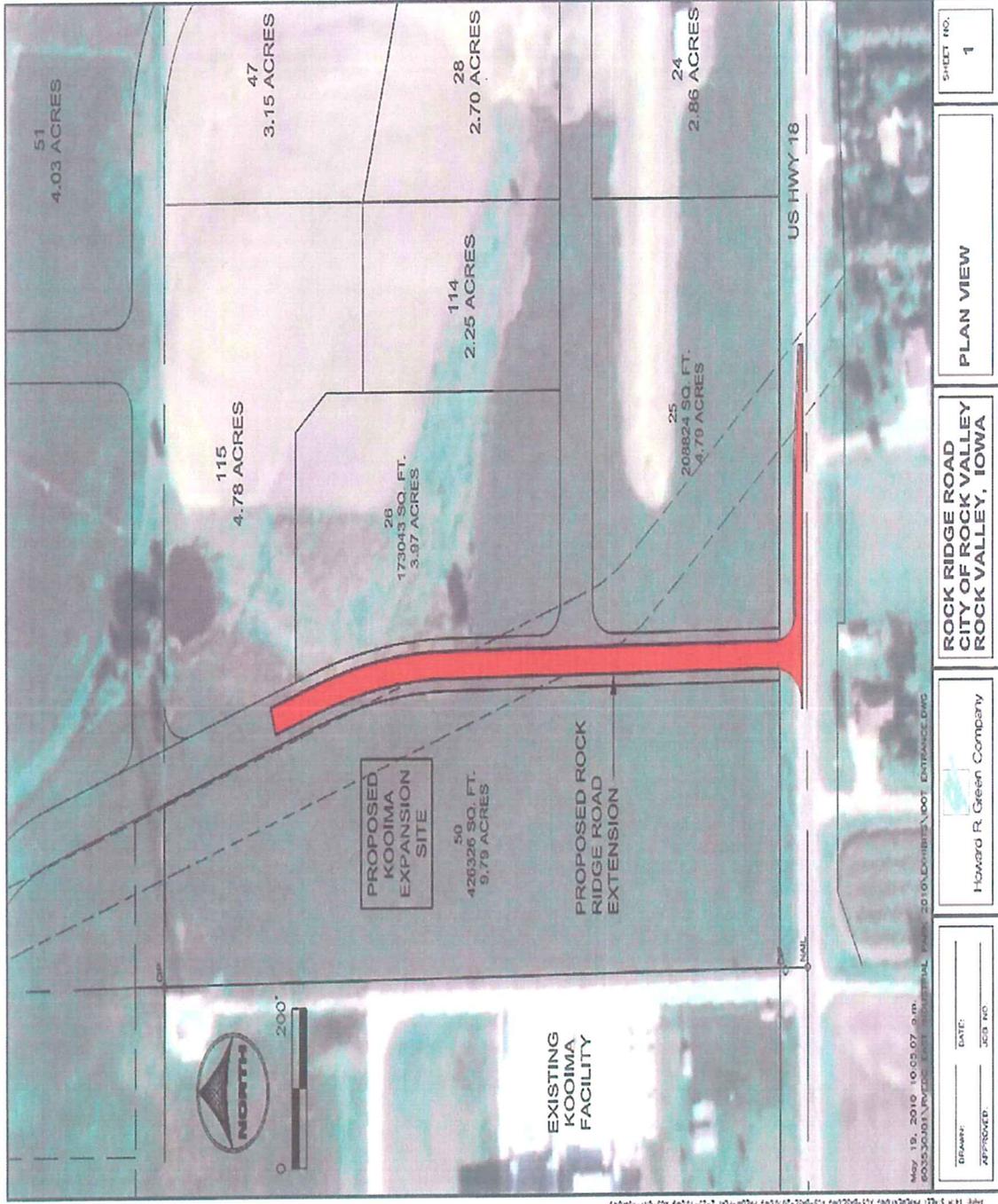
**RISE Cost Per Job Assisted (Created/Retained):**  $\$530,844/87 = \$6,101.66$

**Total Capital Investment Per RISE Dollar:**  $\$5,962,891/\$530,844 = \$11.23$

### CONCLUSIONS

**Narrative:** Based on the capital investment and job creation commitments, staff recommends a grant of \$530,844 or up to 80 percent of total RISE eligible project costs, whichever is less, from the city share of the RISE fund.

# Rock Valley



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 CITY OF ROCK VALLEY  
 ROCK VALLEY, IOWA  
 PLAN VIEW  
 SHEET NO. 1

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION ORDER

Division/Bureau/Office Planning, Programming and Modal Division  
Office of Program Management Order No. PPM-2010-64  
Submitted by E. Jon Ranney Phone No. 515-239-1500 Meeting Date June 8, 2010  
Title 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program

**DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:**

The 2011-2015 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program will be presented for final review and approval.

**PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended the Commission approve and authorize distribution of the 2011-2015 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program. It is also recommended the Commission approve the use of condemnation, if necessary, to acquire property for the projects listed in the highway section.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_

	Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
Blouin	_____	_____	_____
Cleaveland	_____	_____	_____
Durham	_____	_____	_____
Miles	_____	_____	_____
Reasner	_____	_____	_____
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Wiley	_____	_____	_____

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Jon Ranney, Office of Program Management, said the final 2011-2015 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program has been presented to the Commission, and he requested Commission approval of the program.

Commissioner Cleaveland moved, Commissioner Reasner seconded the Commission approve and authorize distribution of the 2011-2015 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program. It is also recommended the Commission approve the use of condemnation, if necessary, to acquire property for the projects listed in the highway section. Commissioner Sawtelle absent; remaining Commissioners voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 a.m.

**IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**PUBLIC INPUT MEETING**

Comfort Inn, Ft. Madison

June 8, 2010

<u>TIME</u>	<u>DELEGATION</u>	<u>SPOKESPERSON</u>
8:30 a.m.	Opening Remarks	Commission Chair Don Wiley
8:35 a.m.	City of Ft Madison	Byron Smith
8:40 a.m.	Heartland Highway Corridor Consortium	Mayor Dale Uehling
8:55 a.m.	US 20 Corridor Association	Bob Singer
9:00 a.m.	Unscheduled Delegations U.S. 61 Association Tri-State Development Summit	Vern Meierotto Tom Marion