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Joe Bolkcom
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Re: TIME-21 Initiative

Dear Joe:

Our community has been apprised of the Transportation Investment Moves the Economy in the 21st Century (TIME-21) initiative. This proposal to more adequately fund public road programs is an initiative from the Iowa Department of Transportation Road Use Tax Fund Report which was released to the Iowa General Assembly in January. We concur with the need for additional funding to cities for street and highway projects, and would note that these funds would support not only motor vehicle travel, but travel by alternative modes such as public transit, walking, and bicycling. Our transportation-related expenses have grown significantly over the years, while road use tax revenues have remained fixed. Our ability to fund operations and projects has reached a critical juncture.

Please accept Iowa City's endorsement of the TIME-21 proposal. We encourage your consideration of this important initiative. Please feel free to contact Iowa City Public Works Director Rick Fosse at 356-5141 or rick-fosse@iowa-city.org if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ross Wilburn
Mayor

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