

TENTATIVE AGENDA
SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
November 6 - 17, 2023

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Committee of the Whole - 8:30 am

Temporary Boardroom-Courthouse-2nd Floor-Conf. Room 258 -In-Person & Virtual

The public may join this meeting in person OR by phone/computer/app by using the information below.

Contact 563-326-8702 with any questions.

TO JOIN BY PHONE: 1-408-418-9388 ACCESS CODE: 2497 451 4063 PASS CODE: 1234

OR you may join via Webex. Go to www.webex.com to JOIN meeting using the same Access Code and Pass Code above. See the Webex Instructions in packet for a direct link to the meeting.

_____ 1. Roll Call: Dickson, Maxwell, Paustian, Rawson, Beck

_____ 2. Public Comment as an Attendee.

By Phone:

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By Computer:

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Presentation

_____ 3. Welcome and introductions for the new Interim Chancellor of Eastern Iowa Community Colleges, Dr. Liang Chee Wee.

Facilities & Economic Development

_____ 4. Ambulance Purchase for MEDIC EMS of Scott County. (Item 04)
Consent Agenda Consideration

_____ 5. Water Truck Replacement Surcharge Fee. (Item 05)

_____ 6. Setting of the public hearing for Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 5:00PM during the Board Meeting as required by Iowa Code regarding sale of county property. (Item 06)
Consent Agenda Consideration

_____ 7. Setting of the public hearing for Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 5:00PM during the Board Meeting as required by Iowa Code relative to Land Easement. (Item 07)
Consent Agenda Consideration

Human Resources

_____ 8. Staff Appointments. (Item 08) Consent Agenda Consideration

Health & Community Services

- ___ 9. Contract with Dr. Vermeer. (Item 09) Consent Agenda Consideration

Finance & Intergovernmental

- ___ 10. The SECC 28E Amended Agreement. (Item 10) Consent Agenda Consideration
- ___ 11. ARPA Quarterly update. (Item 11)

Other Items of Interest

- ___ 12. Board appointments to the Board of Health. (Item 12) Consent Agenda Consideration
- ___ 13. Urban County Coalition 2024 Legislative Issues and Priorities list. (Item 13)
Consent Agenda Consideration
- ___ 14. Adjourned. Moved by ___ Second by ___

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Special Committee of the Whole - 4:00 pm

Joint Meeting with Conservation Board - Location: Wapsi Center, 31555 - 52nd Ave., Dixon, IA

*******Annual joint meeting with the Conservation Board*******

Thursday, November 9, 2023

Regular Board Meeting - 5:00 pm

Board Room, 1st Floor, Administrative Center (In-Person and Virtual)

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Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Special Board Meeting - 8:30 am

Board Room, 1st Floor, Administrative Center - Canvass of Votes (In Person and WebEx/Virtual)

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2. A user must have his or her own device unmuted.
3. The user may then unmute his or her conference line by keying * 6
4. After conversation, please lower your hand. (*3 again)


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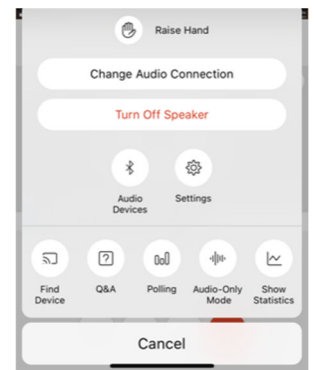
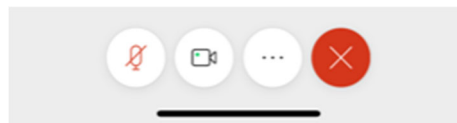
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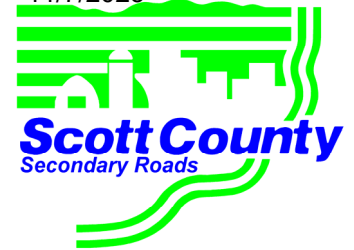
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TO: Mahesh Sharma
County Administrator

FROM: Angie Kersten, P.E.
County Engineer

SUBJ: Approval to Purchase Ambulances for MEDIC EMS of Scott County

DATE: October 31, 2023

The Fleet Services team has been meeting over the past few months with MEDIC EMS of Scott County (MEDIC) discussing planned and future purchases under present market conditions. It continues to be challenging to replace vehicles and we are encountering similar delays with production of ambulances as with our heavy duty trucks. Based on condition ratings and mileage, the life expectancy of an ambulance chassis is approximately six years and an ambulance box is twelve years.

MEDIC's FY2024 budget includes the replacement of two ambulances. Over the past several years, MEDIC has worked with Klocke's Emergency Vehicles in Sterling, Illinois, to replace and remount ambulances. The ambulances are built utilizing a Ford chassis and a Life Line box. In August 2023, MEDIC contacted Klocke's Emergency Vehicles to order two ambulances and learned that the ambulances will tentatively be built in fourth quarter of 2024 or first quarter of 2025. The ambulances will be built at Life Line Emergency Vehicles in Sumner, Iowa. Since these ambulances will not be received until after MEDIC becomes a department of Scott County, we are requesting approval to purchase the two new replacement ambulances, including the power load, cot, and bariatric lift from Klocke's Emergency Vehicles.

We then discussed the condition of the remaining fleet and the present ambulance production schedule. It was determined that the FY2025 budget should include the rehabilitation of two ambulances. The rehabilitation process includes purchasing a new chassis and remounting the existing box on the new chassis. However, the existing box is rehabilitated with a new heating and ventilating system, fixtures, hardware, flooring, paint, etc. Additionally, any broken cabinets or other features on the inside of the box are replaced. The outside of the box is also rehabilitated in a similar manner and re-painted. An existing box can be remounted one time and then will need to be programmed for replacement.

Over the past several years, MEDIC has been working to outfit all of their ambulances with Life Line boxes. There are other ambulance box manufacturers, but each box is outfitted a little differently. It is highly beneficial for all MEDIC ambulances to be outfitted exactly the same for the paramedics and emergency medical technicians who operate out of all the ambulances. It is critical that they know

exactly where all of their supplies are located and can use muscle memory to locate supplies in a quick and efficient manner.

Based on the present ambulance production schedule at Life Line and additional delays in obtaining a Ford chassis, we request permission to order the following ambulance replacements from Klocke's Emergency Vehicles:

- FY2024 Budget
 - 1 – Life Line Ambulance with power load system and cot, for approximately \$311,666 with an additional 10% contingency (total not to exceed \$342,833).
 - 1 – Life Line Ambulance with power load system, cot, and bariatric lift, for approximately \$326,511 with an additional 10% contingency (total not to exceed \$359,162).

- FY2025 Budget
 - 2 – 2025 Ford E450 Chassis with remount of existing Life Line box on the new chassis with a new power load system and cot, for approximately \$420,230 with an additional 10% contingency (total not to exceed \$462,253).

When the new ambulances are built, we will evaluate options to sell the existing ambulance or either negotiate a trade. We will work with the Budget and Administrative Director to budget for these ambulance replacements in the FY2024 and FY2025 budgets. Additionally, prior to the FY2026 budget preparation, we will work with MEDIC to develop specifications for the ambulance replacements to be competitively bid. At this time, I recommend purchasing the above listed ambulance replacements from Klocke's Emergency Vehicles in order to not get further behind schedule with replacements and minimize the risk of our ambulances being out of service due to mechanical failures related to exceeding life expectancy.

THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S SIGNATURE CERTIFIES
THAT THIS RESOLUTION HAS BEEN FORMALLY
APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON

DATE

SCOTT COUNTY AUDITOR

R E S O L U T I O N

SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NOVEMBER 9, 2023

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) NEW
AMBULANCES AND THE REMOUNT OF TWO (2) EXISTING AMBULANCES
FOR MEDIC EMS OF SCOTT COUNTY

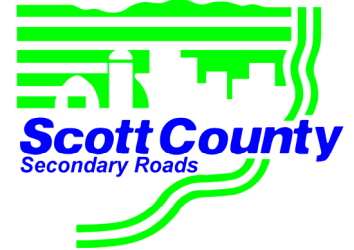
BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

- Section 1. That the quote for one (1) 2025 Life Line Ambulance, with power load system and cot for MEDIC EMS of Scott County is hereby approved and awarded to Klocke's Emergency Vehicles, Sterling, IL, in the amount of \$311,666 with an additional 10% contingency (total not to exceed \$342,833).
- Section 2. That the quote for one (1) 2025 Life Line Ambulance, with power load system, cot, and bariatric lift for MEDIC EMS of Scott County is hereby approved and awarded to Klocke's Emergency Vehicles, Sterling, IL, in the amount of \$326,511 with an additional 10% contingency (total not to exceed \$359,162).
- Section 3. That the quote for two (2) 2025 Ford E450 Chassis with remount of existing Life Line box, new power load system and cot for MEDIC EMS of Scott County is hereby approved and awarded to Klocke's Emergency Vehicles, Sterling, IL, in the amount of \$420,230 with an additional 10% contingency (total not to exceed \$462,253).
- Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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TO: Mahesh Sharma
County Administrator

FROM: Angie Kersten, P.E.
County Engineer

SUBJ: Approval for Material Surcharges

DATE: October 31, 2023

On September 16, 2021, our department awarded a contract to Thompson Truck & Trailer for the purchase of a water truck for \$128,890.00.

In April 2022, Thompson Truck & Trailer reached out to us requesting a surcharge fee for material and tire costs for the cab and chassis. The original equipment manufacturer (OEM) had increased costs for heavy duty trucks built after December 31, 2021. Our truck had not been built yet, but was in line for production. In order for our truck to continue towards production, Thompson Truck & Trailer requested a surcharge fee of \$4,100. On April 28, 2022, a resolution was passed approving payment of the \$4,100 surcharge fee.

The cab and chassis was built in the second quarter of 2023 and has been waiting for outfitting of the Klein water tank system. Thompson Truck & Trailer recently reached out to us requesting a surcharge fee of \$7,958.67 for material cost increases for the Klein water tank system.

Many equipment manufacturers and heavy duty truck suppliers, like Thompson Truck & Trailer and Klein Products, Inc., are encountering difficulties with delays in production, material shortages, increases in freight costs, sufficient labor, surging costs for labor, scarcity of truck drivers, along with several other logistical challenges. We have been informed that the water tank system is scheduled to be installed on the cab and chassis in November 2023.

The annual inflation rate in the United States in 2021 was 7.0%, in 2022 was 6.5%, and so far in 2023 is 3.7%. The requested surcharge for the water truck is an overall increase of 9.4%.

The water truck is a vital piece of equipment utilized by our department. Based on the present state of heavy equipment manufacturing, I would not expect to obtain better pricing on this piece of equipment if we were to cancel this order and re-solicit bids. In addition, canceling this order would further delay production. I recommend amending our purchase agreement to include an additional cost of \$7,958.67 for the water truck.

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R E S O L U T I O N
SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NOVEMBER 9, 2023

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SURCHARGE FEE FOR THE PURCHASE OF
ONE 2023 INTERNATIONAL HV607, 2,300-GALLON WATER TRUCK
FOR SECONDARY ROADS

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

- Section 1. That the bid for one 2023 International HV607, 2,000-gallon water truck for Secondary Roads was approved on September 16, 2021, and awarded to Thompson Truck & Trailer, Davenport, IA, in the amount of \$128,890.00.
- Section 2. That a surcharge fee of \$4,100 for purchase of said 2023 International HV607, 2,000-gallon water truck was approved on April 28, 2022, and awarded to Thompson Truck & Trailer, Davenport, IA.
- Section 3. That the truck tank system and related equipment be upgraded to a Klein Model K230, 2,300 gallon capacity and that a surcharge fee of \$7,958.67 for purchase of said 2023 International HV607, 2,300-gallon water truck is hereby approved and awarded to Thompson Truck & Trailer, Davenport, IA.
- Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Facility & Support Services

600 West Fourth Street

Davenport, Iowa 52801

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November 1, 2023

TO: Mahesh Sharma
County Administrator

FROM: Tammy Speidel, FMP
Director, Facility & Support Services

REF: Setting of public hearing as required by Iowa Code regarding sale of county property

Mahesh

As you are aware, the City of Davenport has approached Scott County for the purpose of acquiring 411 square feet of property owned by Scott County. This represents a small amount of property on both the east and west side of the courthouse driveway at the intersection of Scott St and 4th Street.

The purpose of this property acquisition is to locate a traffic light pole and associated electrical equipment which is needed in their plan to convert 4th Street from a one way to a two way.

The current compensation estimate for this property acquisition is \$3.58 per square foot or a total estimate of \$1,471.38.

Because this is a sale of County owned property, the Board of Supervisors is required to hold a public hearing prior to approving the sale.

I am proposing that the Board set public hearing be set the public hearing for December 7, 2023 at 5:00 pm at the Scott County Board Meeting.

I plan to attend the next Committee of the Whole to answer any questions.

CC: Chris Still, Interim Director Planning and Development
Daniel Reed, Interim Facility Maintenance Manager



October 27, 2023

Scott County
Attn: Tammy Speidel
600 W 4th St.
Davenport, IA 52801

Re: Right of Way Easement at parcel G0060-06A, 400 W 4th St., Davenport, IA. for the 3rd & 4th Street Traffic Conversion Project.

Dear Tammy:

As you know, part of the above-mentioned property will be needed for the construction of the above referenced project. Enclosed is a compensation estimate, and a plat identifying the portion of your property needed for the project, and an excerpt from Section 8 of the IDOT's pamphlet, "Highways and Your Land."

You have the right to review this information for ten (10) days before I contact you to further discuss this right-of-way acquisition. However, you may waive this right and contact me to begin our discussions sooner. I can be reached at 563-888-2022 or by e-mail at jonathan.robnett@davenportiowa.com.

It is our sincere hope that the enclosed material and our future discussions will provide the foundation for a mutually agreeable settlement of this permanent recreational trail easement transaction. Thank You.

Sincerely,
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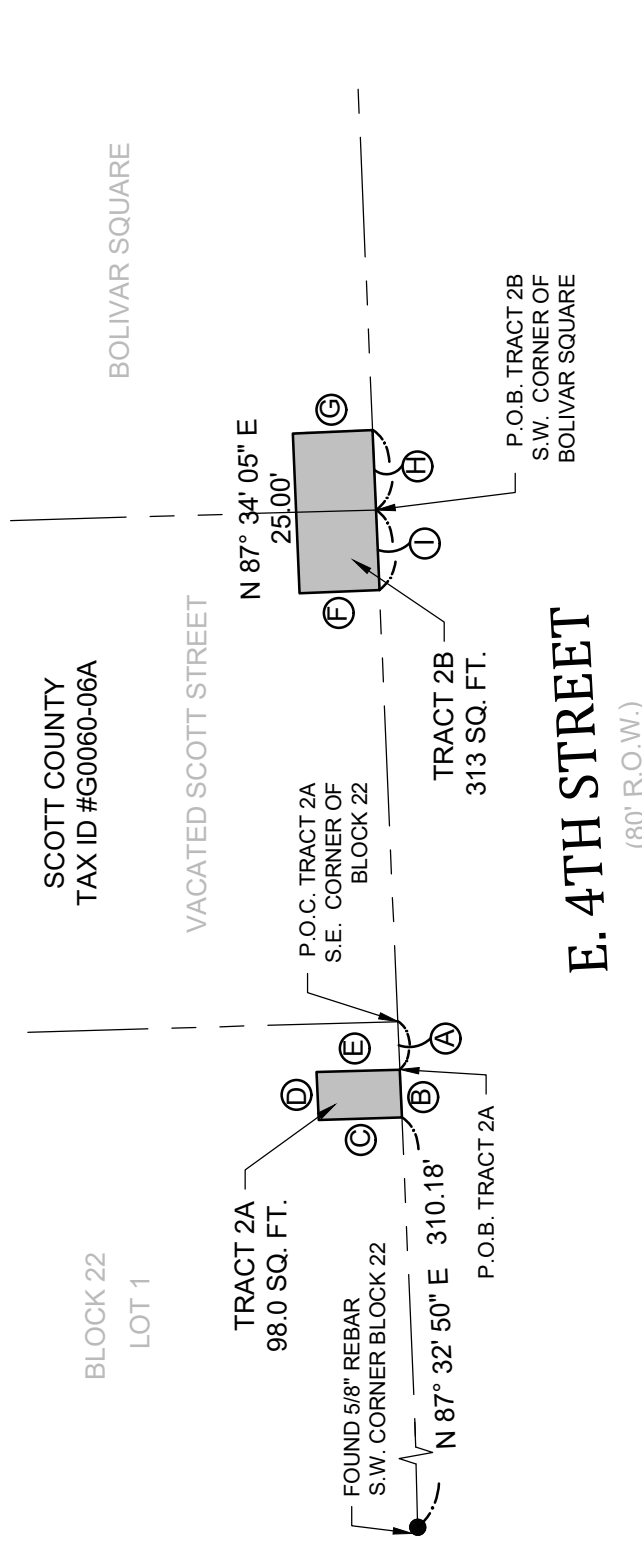
Jonathan Robnett,
Engineering Process Coordinator

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cc: Jeri Vondera, P.E.
Geoff Blandin, P.E., Assistant City Engineer
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RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION PLAT

PART OF BLOCK 22, BOLIVAR SQUARE AND VACATED SCOTT STREET IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF DAVENPORT, CITY OF DAVENPORT, SCOTT COUNTY, IOWA



LINE TABLE

(A)	S 87° 32' 50" W	7.50'
(B)	S 87° 32' 50" W	7.50'
(C)	N 02° 27' 10" W	13.00'
(D)	S 02° 27' 10" E	7.50'
(E)	S 87° 34' 05" W	13.00'
(F)	N 02° 25' 55" W	12.50'
(G)	S 02° 25' 55" E	12.50'
(H)	S 87° 34' 05" W	12.50'
(I)	S 87° 34' 05" W	12.50'

PREPARED FOR
CITY OF DAVENPORT
ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

SURVEYOR
WILLET HOFMANN & ASSOCIATES
JIMMY D. ROSE
1515 5TH AVENUE
MOLINE, ILLINOIS 61265

OWNER
SCOTT COUNTY
600 W. 4TH STREET
DAVENPORT, IA 52801

PROJECT
4TH STREET SIGNALIZATION
CIP NO.: 38017
PROJECT NUMBER: PRJ-4150

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS LAND SURVEYING DOCUMENT WAS PREPARED AND THE RELATED SURVEY WORK WAS PERFORMED BY ME OR UNDER MY DIRECT PERSONAL SUPERVISION AND THAT I AM A DULY LICENSED LAND SURVEYOR UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF IOWA.

IOWA LICENSED LAND SURVEYOR NO. 11309
JIMMY D. ROSE

MY LICENSE RENEWAL DATE IS DECEMBER 31, 2023

ENTIRE SUBMISSION IS COVERED BY THIS SEAL UNLESS SPECIFIED BELOW.

DATE: _____

LEGEND

- PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION
- PARCEL BOUNDARY
- SET 1/2" DIA. REBAR W/ALUMINUM CAP#11309
- FOUND MONUMENT
- FOUND CUT "X"
- MEASURED DIMENSION
- RECORD DIMENSION
- POINT OF BEGINNING



NOTES:

- DISTANCES IN FEET AND DECIMALS THEREOF.
- BEARINGS SHOWN ARE BASED ON THE IOWA STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, SOUTH ZONE (NAD83)
- FIELD WORK COMPLETED 08/31/2023

RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION PLAT
400 W. 4TH STREET
PART OF BLOCK 22, BOLIVAR SQUARE AND VACATED SCOTT STREET

WILLET HOFMANN & ASSOCIATES INC
ENGINEERING ARCHITECTURE LAND SURVEYING
1515 FIFTH AVENUE, SUITE 102, MOLINE, IL 61265
T: 309-517-1119 DESIGN FIRM: # 184-000918

R.O.W. ACQUISITION PLAT

DRAWN BY: SLD APPROVED BY: JDR
DATE: October 23, 1:49pm
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WHA PROJECT NUMBER: 1881M23

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RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION PLAT

PART OF BLOCK 22, BOLIVAR SQUARE AND VACATED SCOTT STREET IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF DAVENPORT, CITY OF DAVENPORT, SCOTT COUNTY, IOWA

TRACT 2A

Part of Block 22 and vacated Scott Street in the Original Town of Davenport, now the City of Davenport, Scott County, Iowa described as follows:

Commencing at the southeast corner of said Block 22, thence South 87 degrees 32 minutes 50 seconds West, 7.50 feet on the south line of said Block 22 to the Point of Beginning,

Thence South 87 degrees 32 minutes 50 seconds West, 7.50 feet on the south line of said Block 22;

Thence North 02 degrees 27 minutes 10 seconds East, 13.00 feet;

Thence North 87 degrees 32 minutes 50 seconds East, 7.50 feet;

Thence South 02 degrees 27 minutes 10 seconds East, 13.00 feet, to the north right of way line of a public roadway designated West Fourth Street, also being the Point of Beginning.

The above-described parcel contains 98.0 square feet.

Bearings are based on the Iowa State Plane Coordinate System South Zone, NAD 83 (2011 adj.) by observations on the Iowa Real Time Network.

TRACT 2B

Part of Bolivar Square, and part of vacated Scott Street in the Original Town of Davenport, now the City of Davenport, Scott County, Iowa described as follows:

Beginning at the southwest corner of said Bolivar Square.

Thence South 87 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds West, 12.50 feet on the north right of way line of a public roadway designated West Fourth Street;

Thence North 02 degrees 25 minutes 55 seconds West, 12.50 feet;

Thence North 87 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds East, 25.00 feet;

Thence South 02 degrees 25 minutes 55 seconds East, 12.50 feet to the south line of Bolivar Square;

Thence South 87 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds West, 12.50 feet on said south line to the Point of Beginning.

The above-described parcel contains 313 square feet.

Bearings are based on the Iowa State Plane Coordinate System South Zone, NAD 83 (2011 adj.) by observations on the Iowa Real Time Network.

RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION PLAT

400 W. 4TH STREET

PART OF BLOCK 22, BOLIVAR SQUARE AND VACATED SCOTT STREET



WILLETT HOFMANN

& ASSOCIATES INC.

ENGINEERING ARCHITECTURE LAND SURVEYING

1515 FIFTH AVENUE, SUITE 102, MOLINE, IL 61265

T: 309-517-1119 DESIGN FIRM # 184-000918

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DATE: October 23, 1:49pm

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DAVENPORT

PUBLIC WORKS

Project: 3rd & 4th Street Traffic Conversion
Property: 400 W 4th Street
Type: Right of Way
Tract: ROW Tract 2A & 2B

Site Visit: October 2, 2023

Site Notes: Tammy Speidel accompanied City Staff during Site Visit

PROJECT INFORMATION

This project is for the modifications to the traffic signalization on 3rd Street and 4th Street from Marquette Street to River Drive as needed to convert the roadways from one-way traffic to two-way traffic. Work includes additions, removals, and upgrades to the traffic signals.

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Parcels G0060-06A lot is 223,832 +/- square feet, located in the City of Davenport, is zoned C-D Commercial Downtown District. The parcel consists of a multi-story governmental administrative building. According to the County Auditor's Office, Scott County holds the deed to these parcels. The overall property has access to all public utilities including electricity, natural gas, water and sanitary sewer. Zoning to the east is zoned C-D Commercial Downtown District, zoning to the west is zoned C-D Commercial Downtown District, the zoning to the north is I-MU Industrial Mixed-Use District and zoning to the south is zoned C-D Commercial Downtown District. The highest and best use for this parcel is Commercial.

RIGHT-OF-WAY INFORMATION

ROW Tract 2A – The right-of-way is rectangular shaped along the frontage of W 4th Street, having a total of 98 +/- square feet. The right-of-way is strictly for the shared use path and road with some green space separating the two.

ROW Tract 2B – The right-of-way is rectangular shaped along the frontage of W 4th Street, having a total of 313 +/- square feet. The right-of-way is strictly for the shared use path and road with some green space separating the two.

LAND VALUE ANALYSIS

There were at least 4 arm’s length home sales since August 2021. Below are 3 arm’s length property sales, ranging from 124,800 to 223,028 square feet within 2.5 miles of the subject property since August 2021.

PARCEL	ADDRESS	SUBDIVISION	LOT SIZE	LIVING SPACE	LOT VALUE	BLDG VALUE	ASSESS VALUE	SALE PRICE	DEED DATE	TYPE	SALE DIV ASSESS	PRICE PER SQ FT
K0010-01B	1441 Rockingham Rd	None	223,028	104,863	\$ 167,270.00	\$392,690.00	\$ 559,960.00	\$ 525,000.00	8/10/2021	COM	0.94	\$ 0.75
F0062A02	450 LeClaire St	Scott County Family YMCA 1st Addition	168,821	0	\$ 1,220,620.00	\$ -	\$ 1,220,620.00	\$ 1,481,912.00	12/8/2021	COM	1.21	\$ 7.23
K0051-08C	1958 W River Dr	Uchtorff's 2nd Addition	126,477	43,272	\$ 94,860.00	\$596,160.00	\$ 691,020.00	\$ 400,000.00	9/20/2021	COM	0.58	\$ 0.75
K0064-06A	819 Credit Island Ln	None	124,800	4,404	\$ 93,600.00	\$108,730.00	\$ 202,330.00	\$ 350,000.00	6/2/2022	COM	1.73	\$ 0.75

The assessed land value of the property is \$715,390 or \$3.20 per square foot. The arm’s length property sales within 1 mile of the subject property since August 2021 sold for 1.12 times the assessed value, \$3.20 times 1.12 is \$3.58. It is my opinion that the square foot land value of the property would be \$3.58 per square foot.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Robnett
Engineering Process Coordinator

encl.
cc: Jeri Vondera, P.E.
Geoff Blandin, P.E., Assistant City Engineer
File



DAVENPORT

PUBLIC WORKS

Appraisal Waiver

Parcel Number: G0060-06A County: Scott
Project: 3rd & 4th Street Traffic Conversion

Recorded Owner(s): Scott County
Owner(s) Mailing Address: 600 W 4th St., Davenport, IA 52801

Tenant(s): _____
Tenant(s) Mailing Address: _____

Subject Property Address: 400 W 4th St., Davenport, IA 52801
This Property is described as: Courthouse square, original town block: 022 original town of Davenport
Basis for land compensation: Establishment of property land value

Land to be acquired by fee title:	<u>411.00/SF@</u>	<u>\$3.58/SF</u>	=	<u>\$1,471.38</u>
Permanent easement:	<u>0.00/SF@</u>	<u>\$3.58/SF</u>	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Temporary easement:	<u>0.00/SF@</u>	<u>\$0.358/SF</u>	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Other considerations:	_____	_____	=	<u>\$0.00</u>

Total Compensation \$1,471.38

Certification

I certify that I am familiar with the subject property of this compensation estimate, that the valuation is based upon data contained in the files of the Agency, and that I have no direct or indirect present or contemplated future personal interest in this property or in any benefit from the acquisition of this property.

Agent Signature

[Signature] 10/27/2023
Date

Approved by

[Signature] 10/31/23
Date

Statement of Property Owner's Rights

Just as the law grants certain entities the right to acquire private property, you as the owner of the property have certain rights. You have the right to:

- a. Receive just compensation for the taking of property. (Iowa Constitution, Article I, section 18)
- b. An offer to purchase, which may not be less than the lowest appraisal of the fair market value of the property. (Iowa Code section 6B.45; Iowa Code section 6B.54)
- c. Receive a copy of the appraisal, if an appraisal is required, upon which the acquiring agency's determination of just compensation is based not less than 10 days before being contacted by the acquiring agency's acquisition agent. (Iowa Code section 6B.45)
- d. An opportunity to accompany at least one appraiser of the acquiring agency who appraises your property when an appraisal is required. (Iowa Code section 6B.54)
- e. Participate in good faith negotiations with the acquiring agency before the acquiring agency begins condemnation proceedings. (Iowa Code section 6B.2B)
- f. A determination of just compensation by an impartial compensation commission and the right to appeal its award to the district court if you can- not agree on a purchase price with the acquiring agency. (Iowa Code section 6B.4; Iowa Code section 6B.7; Iowa Code section 6B.18)
- g. A review by the compensation commission of the necessity for the condemnation if your property is agricultural land being condemned for industry. (Iowa Code section 6B.4A)
- h. Payment of the agreed upon purchase price or, if condemned, a deposit of the compensation commission award before you are required to surrender possession of the property. (Iowa Code Section 6B.25; Iowa Code section 6B.26; Iowa Code section 6B.54(11))
- i. Reimbursement for expenses incidental to transferring title to the acquiring agency. (Iowa Code section 6B.33; Iowa Code section 6B.54(10))
- j. Reimbursement of certain litigation expenses: (1) if the award of the compensation commissioners exceeds 110 percent of the acquiring agency's final offer before condemnation; and (2) if the award on appeal in court is more than the compensation commissioners' award. (Iowa Code section 6B.33)
- k. At least 90 days written notice to vacate occupied property. (Iowa Code section 6B.54(4))
- l. Relocation services and payments, if you are eligible to receive them, and the right to appeal your eligibility for and amount of the payments. (Iowa Code section 316.9; Iowa Code section 6B.42) 4

The rights set out in this statement are not claimed to be a full and complete list of explanation of an owner's rights under the law. They are derived from the Iowa Code chapters 6A, 6B and 316. For more thorough presentation of and owner's rights, you should refer directly to the Iowa Code or contact an attorney of your choice.

THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S SIGNATURE CERTIFIES
THAT THIS RESOLUTION HAS BEEN FORMALLY
APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON

DATE

SCOTT COUNTY AUDITOR

R E S O L U T I O N

SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

November 9, 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTING OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE REQUEST FOR SALE OF A PORTION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY SCOTT COUNTY LOCATED AT 600 W 4TH STREET DAVENPORT IOWA

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors hereby fixes the time and place for a public hearing on the sale of a portion of property owned by Scott County located at 600 W 4th Street Davenport, IA 52801 for Thursday December 7, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Scott County Administrative Center or virtually as directed by the Board's agenda.

Section 2. The Scott County Facility and Support Services Director is hereby directed to publish the notice as required by law.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Facility & Support Services

600 West Fourth Street

Davenport, Iowa 52801

(563) 326-8738 (Voice)

(563) 328-3245 Fax



Item 07
11/7/2023

~ Our Promise: Professional People, Solving Problems, High Performance

TO: Mahesh Sharma
County Administrator

FROM: Tammy Speidel, FMP
Director, Facility & Support Services

REF: Setting of public hearing as required by Iowa Code regarding a utility easement request on County Owned Property Parcel 952249002.

This parcel of property is located approximately one mile north of Territorial Road on 270th Avenue. This property is the site of an old radio tower which was given to Racom in 2002 via an agreement between the Scott County Board and Racom.

The request for easement is from Mid-American Energy and is for a 10 foot section of property along a utility line. Mid-American Energy has a series of utility poles that were damaged several years ago during the derecho storms. They are now planning a permanent repair however the crossbar that they will be installing is 2 feet wider than the previous version. They are requesting a 10 foot easement because it is necessary that they have control of any trees within that distance of the utility pole.

Once the equipment has been switched out, there will be no equipment physically located in the additional 8 of the 10 feet that they are requesting.

They have been working with all of the other property owners along this utility line and have had positive responses. They are currently working on the last 2 parcels necessary, Scott County and one other resident.

Mid-American Energy is offering a one-time payment in the amount of \$500.00 in exchange for this easement request.

I recommend the Board set a public hearing, as necessitated by Iowa Code with regards to this easement request.

I will be at the next Committee of the Whole to answer any questions.

CC: Chris Still, Interim Director Planning and Development
Daniel Reed, Interim Facility Maintenance Manager



270TH AVE

THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S SIGNATURE CERTIFIES
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SCOTT COUNTY AUDITOR

R E S O L U T I O N

SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

November 9, 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTING OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE REQUEST FOR A UTILITY EASEMENT ON COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY PARCEL NUMBER 92249002

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors hereby fixes the time and place for a public hearing on the request for a utility easement on County owned property Parcel number 92249002 for Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Scott County Administrative Center or virtually as directed by the Board's agenda.

Section 2. The Scott County Facility and Support Services Director is hereby directed to publish the notice as required by law.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

November 9, 2023

APPROVAL OF STAFF APPOINTMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

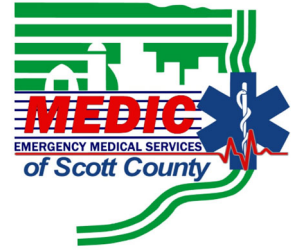
Section 1. The hiring of Ryan Doyle for the position of Custodian with the FSS Department starting at entry level rate.

Section 2. The hiring of Levi Riedesel for the position of Roadside Vegetation Technician with the Secondary Roads Department at entry level rate.

MEDIC EMS of Scott County

600 West Fourth Street
Davenport, Iowa 52801-1003
Office: (563) 323-6806
Fax: (563) 323-1705
www.medicems.com

Item 09
11/7/2023



October 31, 2023

To: Mahesh Sharma, County Administrator
From: Paul Andorf, Director

Attached you will find a copy of Agreement with Richard Vermeer, D.O. to serve as the Medical Director and Chair of the Physician's Advisory Board for MEDIC EMS of Scott County.

Iowa Administrative Code 641, Chapter 132 requires each EMS service program to have a Medical Director. The code defines a Medical Director as "a physician designated by the service program and responsible for providing medical direction and overall supervision of the medical aspects of the service program".

Dr. Vermeer is currently serving in the role of Medical Director for MEDIC EMS and Chair of the Physician's Advisory Board under an agreement with the Scott County Board of Health. This agreement will cover both roles and responsibilities with MEDIC EMS of Scott County providing the agreement oversight.

MEDIC EMS of Scott County

600 West Fourth Street
Davenport, Iowa 52801-1003
Office: (563) 323-6806
Fax: (563) 323-1705
www.medicems.com



Date: January 1, 2024

Agreement #: 2024-00000066

Agreement Parties: Scott County Board of Supervisors
600 West 4th Street
Davenport, IA 52801

Richard L. Vermeer, D.O.
6211 Utica Ridge Road
Unit 202
Davenport, IA 52807

Agreement Amount: \$7,916.67 per month

Purpose: Serve in the capacity of Medical Director for MEDIC EMS of Scott County and Chair of the EMS Physician Advisory Board.

Agreement Period: This Agreement shall commence on January 1, 2024 and shall continue in full force and effect until June 30, 2025, unless either party wishes to terminate this Agreement and provides the other party a written (90) day notice of termination.

Richard L. Vermeer, D.O. agrees to perform the work and to provide the services described in the Agreement for the consideration herein. The parties hereto have executed this contract on the day and year last specified below.

By: _____
Ken Beck, Chairman
Scott County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Richard L. Vermeer, D.O.

Date: _____

Date: _____

I. Identification of Parties

- A. The Chairperson of the Scott County Board of Supervisors is the Authorized County Official for this Agreement. The Authorized County Official must approve any changes in the terms, conditions, or amounts specified in this Agreement. Negotiations concerning this Agreement should be referred to the Chairperson at telephone (563) 326-8611 or board@scottcountyiowa.gov. The Scott County Board of Supervisors hereinafter will be referred to as Scott County.
- B. The Director of MEDIC EMS of Scott County has been designated by BOS as the individual responsible for the implementation of this agreement. The Director of MEDIC EMS hereinafter will be referred to as Director.
- C. Richard L. Vermeer is the individual responsible for financial and administrative matters of this Agreement. Negotiations concerning this Agreement should be referred to Dr. Vermeer at telephone (563) 424-0211. Richard L. Vermeer, D.O. hereinafter will be referred to as Physician.

II. Term of Agreement

- A. This Agreement shall commence on January 1, 2024 and be in effect for eighteen (18) months. If either party wishes to terminate this Agreement, said party shall deliver to the other party a ninety (90) day written notice of termination.
 - 1. Physician shall not relinquish their duties and responsibilities before a new or temporary replacement medical director is functioning as the medical director for MEDIC EMS of Scott County.
 - 2. This Agreement shall automatically terminate if the Physician's license to practice is suspended, revoked, expired, restricted, or subject to probation.
- B. This Agreement may be amended in whole or in part, by mutual consent of the parties, provided that no such amendment shall become effective unless in writing and properly executed by the parties.

III. Physician Scope of Services

- A. Medical Director, MEDIC EMS of Scott County
 - 1. Physician shall be responsible for providing appropriate medical direction and overall supervision of medical aspects of MEDIC EMS of Scott County as required by Iowa Administrative Code 641-132.

- B. Chair of Physician's Advisory Board
 - 1. Physician, as Medical Director, is appointed by the Physician's Advisory Board (PAB) to serve on an annual basis as the administrative officer in carrying out the duties of the PAB.
 - C. Support Scott County EMS
 - 1. Provide a medical direction perspective for such meetings, panels, and entities as may be necessary for the maintenance and improvement of the EMS system in Scott County.
- IV. Scott County Scope of Services
- A. Director will provide administrative assistance to support the Physician's ability to carry out Medical Director responsibilities.
 - B. Scott County shall maintain compliance with all requirements imposed by law upon MEDIC EMS of Scott County as an ambulance service program to the extent such compliance can be achieved independently from the Physician's responsibilities imposed by law and the terms of this Agreement.
- V. Manner of Financing
- A. Scott County agrees to pay Physician the sum of \$7,916.67 on a monthly basis commencing January 2024 and continuing through June 2025 for performing the scope of services outlined in this agreement.
 - B. Physician shall be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Physician for the performance services outlined in this contractor, provided, however, that such expenses shall be previously authorized in writing by Director and Physician shall provide documentation of the actual expenses incurred.
 - C. Physician shall receive a \$5,000 stipend to use for fees associated with education, licensure, and certification. Any funds not spent during the term of the contract revert to Scott County.
- VI. Liability Insurance for Professional Activities
- A. Scott County shall be responsible for obtaining Medical Director Liability Insurance as required for performance of assigned duties with MEDIC EMS of Scott County.
 - B. Physician shall be responsible for obtaining Medical Director Liability Insurance as required for other roles the physician may hold, including Medical Director of other EMS agencies/entities.

VII. Independent Contractor Status

- A. This Agreement recognizes that Physician is an independent contractor and will not be considered an employee of Scott County, Iowa, for any purpose.
- B. Scott County shall neither have nor exercise any control or direction over the methods by which the Physician shall perform and functions described in this Agreement. The sole interest and responsibility of Scott County and Director is to provide emergency medical services that are performed and rendered in a competent, efficient, and satisfactory manner.
- C. Physician understands and agrees that Scott County will not withhold from compensation payable to Physician under this Agreement any sum for income tax, unemployment insurance, social security or other withholding pursuant to law.
- D. Each party agrees to indemnify and hold the other harmless from any liability arising out of the failure by the other party to withhold federal and state income taxes, unemployment and social security taxes as may be applicable.

THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S SIGNATURE CERTIFIES
THAT THIS RESOLUTION HAS BEEN FORMALLY
APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON

DATE

SCOTT COUNTY AUDITOR

R E S O L U T I O N

SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

November 9, 2023

APPROVING Dr. Richard L Vermeer, D.O. Agreement
to serve as the
MEDIC EMS of Scott County Medical Director
and
Chair of the EMS Physician Advisory Board

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. Iowa Administrative Code 641, Chapter 132 requires each EMS service program to have a Medical Director. The code defines a Medical Director as "a physician designated by the service program and responsible for providing medical direction and overall supervision of the medical aspects of the service program".

This agreement covers the roles and responsibilities of Dr. Vermeer to serve as the Medical Director for MEDIC EMS of Scott County.

Section 2. This agreement covers the roles and responsibilities of Dr. Vermeer to serve as the Chair of the Physician's Advisory Board.

Section 3: That the chairman is hereby authorized to sign said agreement

Section 4: This resolution shall take effect immediately.



Item 10
11/7/2023

To: Mahesh Sharma, Scott County Administrator
From: Dave Donovan, SECC/EMA Director
Date: October 30, 2023
Subj: Amendment to the SECC 28E Agreement

As you know, in 2007 the Scott Emergency Communications Center (SECC) and the SECC Board were created via a Chapter 28E Intergovernmental Agreement between Scott County, the cities of Davenport and Bettendorf, MEDIC EMS (the non-profit) and the Scott County Emergency Management Commission (as the funding mechanism.) As MEDIC EMS (the non-profit) will cease operations effective January 1, 2024, the 28E Agreements needs modifications to reflect that change.

Attached are the original 28E agreement and a proposed amendment document based on conversations amongst the SECC Board. The amendment effectively memorializes the change and writes MEDIC EMS out of the SECC 28E agreement by:

- 1) Relinquishing the MEDIC seat on the SECC Board and creating a mechanism for the SECC to appoint an individual that represents healthcare, public health, or emergency medical services to that fifth Board seat.
- 2) Creating terms and conditions for the new appointment, including a nomination process, incomplete terms and revocation of an appointment.
- 3) Eliminating the MEDIC ex-officio Board position.

The Scott County Emergency Management Commission and the MEDIC EMS Board both approved the amendment on October 26, 2023. I expect Davenport and Bettendorf to approve the amendment in the coming weeks. The approvals need to be in place prior to January 1, 2023. As you know this amendment is one of the transition tasks identified in the MEDIC Transition Plan.

I recommend that the Scott County Board of Supervisors approve the attached proposed amendment. The County Attorney's Office has reviewed the document and indicates that it legally and effectively accomplishes the intended purposes of the agreement. I am happy to answer any questions that you or the Board of Supervisors may have.

Intergovernmental Agreement
Between Scott County, Iowa, City of Davenport, City of Bettendorf,
Davenport Hospital Ambulance Corporation d/b/a MEDIC EMS
and the Emergency Management Agency
For the Scott Emergency Communication Center

The articles of agreement are made and entered into this 12 day of DECEMBER, 2007, by and between Scott County, Iowa (hereinafter County), City of Davenport, Iowa (hereinafter Davenport), City of Bettendorf (hereinafter Bettendorf), Davenport Hospital Ambulance Corporation d/b/a MEDIC EMS (hereinafter MEDIC) and the Emergency Management Agency (hereinafter EMA) as indicated by the actions of their respective governing bodies.

WHEREAS, the parties believe the creation of a separate entity entitled the Scott Emergency Communications Center, hereinafter SECC, established for the purpose of providing public safety dispatch and communication services for all participating public safety answering points (PSAP) will improve services to the citizens of Scott County, Iowa;

WHEREAS, the parties believe SECC will reduce overall costs to the individual agencies by reducing management costs, reducing employment competition, providing more flexible and efficient use of staff, and provide for more efficient use of technology;

WHEREAS, the parties believe SECC will promote consistent standard operating procedures (SOP) and will maintain or improve efficiencies in response times;

WHEREAS, the parties believe costs can be reduced by the joint purchase of radios and equipment by SECC and achieve interoperability for the members and all public safety and local governments located in Scott County;

WHEREAS, the parties have the authority to enter into this agreement and provide for a funding source pursuant to Iowa Code Chapters 28E and 29C (2007) as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, the parties agree as follows:

1. Board of Directors: The governing board, hereinafter Board of Directors, of SECC shall be composed of the following representatives:
 - a. Chairperson, Scott County Board of Supervisors
 - b. Mayor, City of Davenport
 - c. Mayor, City of Bettendorf
 - d. A Mayor representing cities located in Scott County. This Mayor shall be chosen by the Chairperson of the Scott County Board of Supervisors by polling the Scott County Mayors (excluding Davenport and Bettendorf) to serve a four year term, after which time every four years a new poll will be done following the November municipal election to select which city's mayor will serve on the Board for a term beginning in the following January.
 - e. Chairperson of the MEDIC EMS Board
 - f. The Administrators of Scott County, City of Davenport, City of Bettendorf and MEDIC Executive Director shall serve as ex-officio non-voting members of the SECC Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall elect its officers from its voting membership, at the first regular meeting of the calendar year. The officers of the Board of Directors shall consist of a chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary/treasurer. The term of office shall be one year. All members serve without compensation.

2. Powers and Duties: The general duties of the Board of Directors include the following:

- a. Any powers and authority granted to SECC by Iowa Code Chapter 28E;
- b. To appoint and supervise a SECC Director upon the vote of four members and to authorize the Director to employ such assistants and staff as may be necessary for the proper operation and management of the SECC. All employees shall be employees of SECC and not any party of this agreement. The County shall provide all administrative support functions required by the Director including human resources, legal, facility and support services, information technology, accounting and payroll;
- c. To review and approve such rules, regulations, policies and standard operating procedures (SOP) as established by the Director for the purposes of managing the SECC, except that if the Board does not adopt a specific policy the County's General Policies and Human Resources Manual shall apply.
- d. To act as oversight and hear any appeals of decisions made by the Director;
- e. To authorize the acquisition, holding, disposal of, and leasing such real and personal property it deems necessary to carry out the terms of this agreement. The location and design of any building should be suitable to serve all public safety answering points (PSAPs) and to house the necessary equipment and staff to provide the services as set forth in this agreement;
- f. To enter into contracts or agreements on behalf of SECC;
- g. To approve an annual operating and capital budget by December 1st of each year for the fiscal year beginning the next July 1st
- h. To accept, receive and administer grants or other funds or gifts for purposes of carrying out the functions of this agreement; and to review and approve the expenditure of all funds budgeted;
- i. To approve and adopt bylaws for its operation and the operation of the Technical Advisory Committee not inconsistent with this agreement;

- j. To perform other duties as are relevant to the functions of this agreement.
3. Meetings: There shall be no less than four regular meetings per year and the Board of Directors shall meet at a time and place conducive to public meetings and comply with the state open meetings law. Special meetings may be called at other times. The chairperson may call special meetings as deemed necessary, and is obligated to do so upon the request of two or more members. A quorum of the Board of Directors shall be three voting members. A majority of the members present and voting shall be necessary for the passage of any action. The officers of the Board of Directors shall vote as members of the Board. Meetings shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order, Revised unless otherwise stated in the bylaws.
4. Technical Advisory Committee: The Board of Directors shall create a Technical Advisory Committee to provide guidance and advice to the Board of Directors and SECC Director. The Technical Advisory Committee shall consist of the Davenport Police Chief, the Davenport Fire Chief, the Bettendorf Police Chief, the Bettendorf Fire Chief, the Scott County Sheriff, a MEDIC EMS representative, the Scott County EMS-Physicians Advisory Board Medical Director, an outlying police agency representative, a volunteer fire department representative, and a volunteer ambulance representative or their designees. The Technical Advisory Committee shall assist the SECC Director in developing the SOP. The SOP shall contain the standard operating procedures of the SECC and govern its conduct. If a conflict exists between the SOP and any federal, state or local law, bylaw or collective bargaining agreement the latter shall govern. The Technical Advisory Committee shall utilize the expertise of all the members' IT Directors, County GIS Coordinator, and Public Works/Secondary Roads Directors along with other community stakeholders in developing any SOP or purchases that affect their operations or in which they may provide professional guidance.

5. Financial Matters:

- a. The SECC fiscal year shall be from July 1st to June 30th each year. The financial accounts shall be audited as required by state law.
- b. The Board of Directors shall transmit its budget to the EMA Board who without modification will include in its budget transmitted to County Board of Supervisors no later than December 1st, which shall include amounts sufficient to pay all principal and interest on Davenport's Bonds. The Board of Supervisors shall approve a countywide special levy pursuant to Iowa Code Section 331.424(1)(j) and Chapter 29C to fund said budget for the next fiscal year as part of its annual budget adoption.
- c. The City of Davenport will issue its General Obligation Bonds, in such amount and at such time as may be requested by the Board of Directors unless the sale of such bonds would cause Davenport to exceed its bonding capacity or otherwise interfere with its capital improvement program, in order to finance the acquisition of equipment and construction and furnishing of buildings to house SECC and EMA services and equipment including but not limited to public safety radios, vehicle communication devices, and the like as recommended in the 2007 radio study, provided that, before such Bonds are issued, the County Board of Supervisors has made provision for the levy of the special countywide property tax levy referred to in paragraph (b) above. It is the intent of this Agreement that the principal and interest on Davenport's Bonds will be paid solely and only from the special countywide tax levy. To the extent that, in any given year, there are not sufficient revenues from such levy to pay that year's principal of and interest on the Davenport's Bonds, the County Board of Supervisors will provide such amounts as necessary from other County resources.

- d. All personnel, equipment, maintenance and replacement of equipment provided, and operating costs of the SECC shall be budgeted and paid for through the countywide special levy or grants.
- e. Costs related to the construction and equipment of the backup center in the Scott County Courthouse shall be reimbursed to the City of Davenport over 10 years with no interest.
- f. The Board of Directors shall acquire such insurance as it deems appropriate in consideration of insurance market conditions and the SECC activities and potential liabilities.

6. Initial Implementation:

- a. The parties acknowledge that there are currently four public safety answering points (PSAP) in Scott County: Scott County, Davenport, Bettendorf, and MEDIC EMS.
- b. All parties to this agreement have indicated by their participation that they are a member of the SECC, thus not requiring a separate letter of intent.
- c. The members agree that the MEDIC EMS' PSAP (MED-COM) will co-locate at SECC and within thirty months following the opening of SECC the feasibility of full consolidation between MED-COM and SECC shall be mutually determined. Should there be full consolidation, transition of current MEDIC EMS employees will be guided by similar principles established in paragraph 6(d).
- d. All Communication Clerks employed by Davenport, Lead Communication/Computer Specialist and Communication/Computer Specialists employed by Bettendorf and all Public Safety Dispatch Supervisors, Lead Public Safety Dispatchers and Public Safety Dispatchers employed by Scott County will be offered employment at their current rate of pay with the SECC. Additionally their original employment dates with their prior employers and sick and vacation leave banks along with their current accrual rates shall be transferred to SECC. The employees will be provided with the SECC policies

affecting employment including seniority along with the notice given at least 30 days in advance that their employment with Davenport, Bettendorf or Scott County will cease on a specific date and they have 30 days to notify the SECC director of their intent to accept employment with SECC.

- e. All decisions by the SECC Board of Directors, Technical Advisory Committee, and SECC Director shall be guided by the 2006 Consolidation Study and 2007 Radio Study in the development of the new Scott Emergency Communication Center (SECC).

7. Duration and Termination:

- a. This agreement shall become effective upon ratification of all parties hereto.
- b. Any proposed amendments to this agreement shall be provided in writing and approved by resolution of the member's board or council prior to adoption by the Board of Directors. Any amendment must receive a majority vote of the entire Board to be adopted.
- c. This agreement shall remain effective until such time as all principal and interest on Davenport's bonds are repaid, at which time any party may withdraw from participation by giving 180 days notice that the party's governing body has passed a resolution indicating its intent to withdraw. The withdrawing party shall be deemed to have forfeited any rights to any share of the value of assets/property including any software licenses acquired by the SECC. Should all the parties mutually agree to terminate this agreement the property and assets shall become property of the County, after any and all claims against the SECC have been satisfied. The County shall be liable for any and all debts and liabilities, determined and undetermined, attributable to SECC not satisfied at the time of termination.
- d. If any provision of this agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or application of this agreement which can be

given effect without invalid provisions or application and to this end the provisions of this agreement are declared to be severable.

- e. This agreement shall be controlled by and construed and interpreted under the laws of the state of Iowa.

SCOTT COUNTY, IOWA

CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA

By: James V. Hancock
James V. Hancock, Chairperson

By: Edwin G. Winborn
Edwin G. Winborn, Mayor

Attest: Karen Fitzsimmons
Karen Fitzsimmons, County Auditor
Mark Scholich Deputy Auditor

Attest: Jackie E. Holecek
Jackie E. Holecek, Deputy City Clerk

CITY OF BETTENDORF, IOWA

**DAVENPORT HOSPITAL
AMBULANCE CORPORATION
d/b/a MEDIC EMS**

By: Michael J. Freemire
Michael J. Freemire, Mayor

By: Jerry L. McCormick
Jerry McCormick, Board President

Attest: Decker P. Ploehn
Decker P. Ploehn, City Clerk

Attest: Susan Beswick
Susan Beswick, Board Secretary

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

By: Gerry Voelliger
Gerry Voelliger, Chairperson

Attest: Ross E. Bergen
Ross Bergen, EMA Coordinator

Addendum to Intergovernmental Agreement
Between Scott County, IA, City of Davenport, IA, City of Bettendorf, IA
Davenport Hospital Ambulance Corporation d/b/a MEDIC EMS
and the Scott County Emergency Management Commission
for the Scott Emergency Communications Center

Pursuant to Section 7b of the articles of the 28E Intergovernmental Agreement made and entered into on the 12th day of December of 2007, by and between Scott County, Iowa (hereinafter County), the City of Davenport (hereinafter Davenport), the City of Bettendorf (hereinafter Bettendorf), Davenport Hospital Ambulance Corporation d/b/a MEDIC EMS (hereinafter MEDIC) and the Scott County Emergency Management Commission (hereinafter EMA) as indicated by the actions of their respective governing bodies is hereby modified as follows:

WHEREAS MEDIC and the County have agreed to transition all MEDIC operations to a new County Department, effective January 1, 2024;

WHEREAS it is the intent of MEDIC and the County that the MEDIC organization as described in the original agreement will cease current operations for the purposes of this 28E Intergovernmental Agreement on January 1, 2024;

WHEREAS once the MEDIC organization ceases current operations, the seat that MEDIC occupies on the Scott Emergency Communications Center (hereinafter SECC) Board will be effectively vacant;

WHEREAS it is the desire of all parties to replace the MEDIC seat on the SECC Board prior to the dissolution of the MEDIC organization;

NOW, THEREFORE in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, the above parties agree to modify the 28E Intergovernmental Agreement as follows:

NEW SECTIONS

- 1.g Effective December 31, 2023, the MEDIC EMS Board will relinquish their seat on the SECC Board.
- 1.h Beginning January 1, 2024, the SECC Board will appoint a new Board member to the seat previously held by MEDIC EMS. The appointment must be approved by at least three SECC Board members at a regularly scheduled public Board meeting. The current seat appointee shall abstain from the vote if the Board is considering them for the seat.

- 1.i. Said appointment will be with a community member that represents the interests of healthcare, public health, or emergency medical services in the Scott County community.
- 1.j. The term of the appointment shall be for four (4) years. The Board seat may be reappointed by the SECC Board to subsequent four-year terms. The decision whether to reappoint is at the SECC Board's discretion without regard for cause.
- 1.k. Should the appointee be unable to fulfill the four-year term, the SECC Board may, at any time, appoint a different person to fill the remainder of the three-year term, subject to the same approval rules outlined herein. The SECC Board reserves the right to revoke said appointment, for cause.
- 1.l. Nominations for the January 1 appointment (every four years) may be discussed during the September or October SECC Board meeting with approval scheduled no later than the December SECC Board meeting. The appointee shall fill the vacant seat on January 1 (for a regular four-year term) or immediately for a replacement appointment.

REVISIONS

- 1.e. Strike "Chairperson of the MEDIC EMS Board" from the list of SECC Board members
- 1.f. Amend the language in this section to read, "The Administrators of Scott County, City of Davenport and City of Bettendorf shall serve as ex-officio non-voting member of the SECC Board of Directors." This change effectively removes the Executive Director of MEDIC EMS as an ex-officio non-voting member of the SECC Board of Directors.

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SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

November 9, 2023

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ADDENDUM TO THE SCOTT EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER IOWA CODE CHAPTER 28E INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT.

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

- Section 1. That the Addendum to the Scott Emergency Communications Center Chapter 28E Intergovernmental Agreement with changes related to MEDIC EMS is hereby approved.
- Section 2. That the Scott County Board Chairman is hereby authorized to sign said agreement.
- Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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Item 11
11/7/2023

October 31, 2023

TO: Mahesh Sharma, County Administrator
FROM: David Farmer, CPA, MPA Director of Budget and Administrative Services
RE: ARPA Budgetary update

Scott County is required to provide a report of expenditures each fiscal quarter to the US Treasury on the projects and spending life to date of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. The last report was submitted on October 30, 2023 as of September 30, 2023 data.

Following is a summary, with detail on page 2. The detail table identifies the projects, the current budgets reported, potential adjusted budgets, encumbrances or contracts in place, and expenditures life to date through June 30, 2023. Projects need to be expended or encumbered by December 31, 2024 with all expenditures complete by December 31, 2026.

Total Award	\$32,340,880
LTD Interest Income (June 2023)	<u>600,236</u>
Adjusted Resources	32,941,116
Working Budget	33,340,880
Over Budget	(399,764)
Obligations as of September 30, 2023	18,366,657.80
Expenditures as of September 30, 2023	11,872,267.12
Balance from Working Budget	21,468,612.88
Balance from Obligations	6,494,390.68

Interest earned does not need to be returned to the US Treasury. Interest earned is not subject to program restrictions. Recipients may use earned income to defray the administrative expenses of the program (FAQ 10.1)

This report will be updated quarterly after with the quarterly submission to the US Treasury on the progress of APRA funding.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Project Expenditure Category</u>	<u>Sub Category</u>	<u>Reporting Adopted Budget</u>	<u>Budget Reallocation</u>	<u>Working Budget</u>	<u>Obligations as of September 30, 2023</u>	<u>Expenditures as of September 30, 2023</u>	<u>Balance from Working Budget</u>	<u>Balance from Obligations</u>
HHSI - Supportive Housing	2-Negative Economic Impacts	215-Long-Term Housing Security Affordable Housing	\$3,140,880	-	\$3,140,880	\$3,140,880.00	\$2,325,279.62	\$815,600.38	\$815,600.38
Salvation Army - Shelter to Stability	2-Negative Economic Impacts	216-Long-Term Housing Security Services for Unhoused persons	3,000,000	-	3,000,000	3,000,000.00	1,021,529.40	1,978,470.60	1,978,470.60
General Capital Projects	6-Revenue Replacement	61-Provision of Government Services	7,250,000	-	7,250,000	3,393,495.76	3,393,495.76	3,856,504.24	-
COOP COG	6-Revenue Replacement	61-Provision of Government Services	2,750,000	-	2,750,000	1,962,751.53 (\$2.75 M internally obligated)	1,962,751.53	787,248.47	-
Administration Center Air Supply	1-Public Health	14-Prevention in Congregate Settings Nursing Homes Prisons Jails Dense Work Sites Schools Child care facilities etc	3,000,000	-	3,000,000	2,949,000.00	2,807,400.00	192,600.00	141,600.00

<u>Name</u>	<u>Project Expenditure Category</u>	<u>Sub Category</u>	<u>Reporting Adopted Budget</u>	<u>Budget Reallocation</u>	<u>Working Budget</u>	<u>Obligations as of September 30, 2023</u>	<u>Expenditures as of September 30, 2023</u>	<u>Balance from Working Budget</u>	<u>Balance from Obligations</u>
Capital Investment in Jail - Modification due to COVID	1-Public Health	14-Prevention in Congregate Settings Nursing Homes Prisons Jails Dense Work Sites Schools Child care facilities etc.	1,000,000	(1,000,000)	-	-	-	-	-
Mt Joy - Stormwater	5-Infrastructure	56-Clean Water Stormwater	3,000,000	5,500,000	8,500,000	-	-	8,500,000.00	-
Park View Storm Water	5-Infrastructure	56-Clean Water Stormwater	3,000,000	(3,000,000)	0	-	-	1,500,000.00	-
Scott County Parks Wastewater Collection	5-Infrastructure	52-Clean Water Centralized wastewater collection and conveyance	2,000,000	-	2,000,000	6,272.00	6,272.00	2,000,000.00	-
Davenport West Locust Sewer	7-Administrative	72-Transfers to Other Units of Government	1,700,000	(100,000)	1,600,000	1,600,000.00	-	1,600,000.00	1,600,000.00

<u>Name</u>	<u>Project Expenditure Category</u>	<u>Sub Category</u>	<u>Reporting Adopted Budget</u>	<u>Budget Reallocation</u>	<u>Working Budget</u>	<u>Obligations as of September 30, 2023</u>	<u>Expenditures as of September 30, 2023</u>	<u>Balance from Working Budget</u>	<u>Balance from Obligations</u>
Conservation Trail System	2-Negative Economic Impacts	222-Strong Healthy Communities Neighborhood Features that Promote Health and Safety	2,000,000	-	2,000,000	1,641,060.27	355,538.81	1,644,461.19	1,285,521.46
Scott County Tourism	2-Negative Economic Impacts	235-Aid to Tourism Travel or Hospitality	500,000	(400,000)	100,000	100,000.00	-	100,000.00	100,000.00
		Total	32,340,880		33,340,880	15,731,599.98	9,075,576.15	25,765,303.85	6,656,023.83
		Interest Income	-	600,236	600,236				
		Adjusted Budget	32,648,984	600,236	32,941,116	(399,764)			

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SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

November 9, 2023

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. That the following appointment of Dr. Kathleen Hanson to the Board of Health for (3) year term expiring December 31, 2026 is hereby approved.

Section 2. That the following appointment of Dr. Michael Franzman to the Board of Health for (3) year term expiring December 31, 2026 is hereby approved.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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Item 13
11/7/2023

DATE: November 01, 2023
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Mahesh Sharma, County Administrator
RE: Approval of the Urban County Coalition Legislative Priority Issues

Chairman Ken Beck and Supervisor Rita Rawson currently represent the Board when meeting with the other four counties in the Urban County Coalition. Since the end of last session, the group has met to develop next year's list of issues for the 2024 session. There are some broad issues being recommended: Local Option Sales Tax and Iowa Water and Land Legacy Fund, Property Taxes, Mental Health Funding, Unfunded and Underfunded Mandates, Funding Place Making Programs, and County Bonding.

"Additional Issues" are also listed. These are areas that if they are introduced in session our lobbyist would have direction on the Coalition's recommendation regarding those issues.

Each county within the Urban County Coalition is seeking approval of these priorities.



2024 Legislative Priorities - FINAL Draft

The Urban County Coalition is a coalition of the five largest counties in eastern Iowa. We are committed to preserving local control and decision-making authority to give our constituents the greatest control and accountability over their governments. We believe that Thomas Jefferson was correct when he said, “The government closest to the people, serves the people best.”

Local Option Sales Tax and the Iowa Water and Land Legacy Fund: The current proposals to activate the 3/8th of one cent sales tax to fund the Iowa Water and Land Legacy trust fund are not the approach we support to fund the IWLL trust fund. Currently most voters in Iowa have approved a local option sales tax in their jurisdiction and at their directions, their elected representatives have implemented those local option sales taxes. Approval of this tax has provided local voters with an important revenue stream to fund initiatives ranging from property tax relief to road spending. Current proposals to convert this to a statewide sales tax and impose the local option sales tax in every jurisdiction is what has been proposed. This would trigger a constitutional amendment and require the allocation of 3/8th of a cent to the Iowa Water and Land Legacy trust fund (IWLL). While the Urban County Coalition has historically supported funding the Iowa Water and Land Legacy fund, the method proposed is not what we believe Iowans voted for when this passed more than a decade ago.

Our first concern is that voters across Iowa who have voted to utilize the local option sales tax have approved revenue purpose statements (RPS). Those that may have a RPS that expire or may have reauthorized the LOST and the new RPS does not take effect until after January 1, 2023, will have their RPS voided and be required to either adopt a new RPS by city or county resolution, or spend the revenue in accordance with a state formula. In our opinion, this shows a clear disregard for the will of the voters who have voted to pay a tax to accomplish locally vital initiatives. Current proposals also sunset this provision in 2035 after which no jurisdiction will have the authority to take a LOST proposal to a vote, denying voters the opportunity to determine whether they want to choose to undertake large community projects or provide property tax relief, or increase spending on road projects.

This approach would also leave a shortfall in the sales tax pool that would have to be “backfilled” with state general funds. We are not confident that any backfill on monies going to local governments would continue for very long. Any such commitment to local government has a shelf life of two years until the next election when future General Assemblies can “not-withstand” the commitment for other statewide priorities. Future General Assemblies are not bound by commitments of previous General Assemblies.

Property Taxes: Local governments are focused on making sure that our constituents get the services they demand for the best value. We are happy to engage in discussions on how to efficiently manage tax dollars while maintaining services taxpayers expect. Issues like unfunded mandates and user fees that have not kept pace with actual costs, and therefore must be supplemented with property tax dollars, make this a complicated discussion. In addition, we encourage the legislature to remember that the elimination of the mental health levy was offset by the elimination of the backfill from the commercial property tax reduction. We also believe this discussion should include a recognition that local governments are largely entirely reliant on property taxes to fund the services our constituents expect. **We do believe that any discussions of real reform of property taxes in Iowa must be holistic in nature and must include reviewing all taxing entities and not just cities and counties.**

Mental Health Funding: We appreciate that the Legislature has taken a major step toward sustainable funding for both the children and adult mental health systems. We would encourage them to make sure that they keep in mind several challenges that remain and **continue to follow the process outlined in SF 619 when the State assumed mental health funding:**

- Workforce continues to be a significant challenge for service providers. We appreciate the legislature's allocation of \$14 million for HCBC waiver providers, but we believe that Medicaid rates will continue to present providers with difficulties in recruiting and retaining an adequate workforce and should be examined to determine if those rates reflect current employee recruitment challenges faced by providers.
- Now that there are several Access Centers open across the state, we would encourage the legislature to allow ambulances to transport people directly to access centers and be eligible for reimbursement from Medicaid.
- Allow regions to maintain a fund balance that is adequate (10%) to make sure payments to providers are made on time.
- Substance abuse is unfortunately a service that is still paid for with local property tax dollars. Because substance abuse and mental health issues are often present within the same patients, many costs for treating patients who present at access centers with co-occurring disorders can present a billing difficulty for providers. We encourage the state to consider changing Medicaid rules to allow for treatment of co-occurring disorders. Alternatively, access centers should be allowed to bill for treating substance abuse cases that come from outside of the county.

Unfunded and Underfunded Mandates: We encourage the Legislature to act to reduce the instances of cost shifting identified below to eliminate the burdens they place on property taxpayers. The two areas that have the largest impact on local property taxes are collocation of state offices (DHS) and courthouse maintenance and security. We would encourage the General Assembly to conduct an interim study to update its study done a decade ago. Those two issues (Colocation and Security Expenses) are detailed below.

There are others as well that are delineated on the following page.

- **Housing State Offices at Local Taxpayer Expense** – Currently urban counties are forced to house a variety of state agencies (DHS and the Courts, for example) and receive little or no reimbursement from the State. In addition, counties are forced to pay for expenses such as postage and office supplies and equipment at local property taxpayer’s expense. We request that the State no longer require that counties subsidize the local office expenses of state agencies. We would encourage the Legislature to pay particular attention to the document storage requirements of the Iowa Department of Human Services.
- **Courthouse Security and Expenses** - Like the housing of state agencies, local property taxpayers are bearing the entire burden of upgrading, modifying, or even replacing aging courthouses. There is a court expense added to virtually every criminal or civil action but none of this money goes to pay actual courthouse expenses. There needs to be an update of the 1984 compromise when the state absorbed the court system from county governments but left the expenses of the court system on local property taxpayers. With the advent of the 9-1-1 requirements on local government plus the need for security for the court system two decades ago, the state needs to share in these costs. We request the state allocate a portion of these funds to counties for courthouse maintenance and security. This is also an area where the state imposes costs on local governments by not moving the agencies to a paperless document storage program like it has other state agencies.
- **Publishing Costs** – Reduce publishing costs to local governments for publishing meeting and legal notices on-line and require only a summary to be published in local print outlets. Additionally, allow counties to publish in only one local newspaper. We would also encourage the Legislature to provide a clearer definition of proceedings (for example, does proceedings mean the entire verbatim transcript of the meeting or does it mean a summary transcript of the meeting). *At one time, when there were many local newspapers with circulation throughout the county, it might have made sense to require multiple outlets for official documents. But now with the loss of many smaller newspapers, consolidation of existing ones with larger circulation and many being owned by out-of-state newspaper corporations, it makes sense to reduce the number of outlets required for public notices.*
- **Paper Document Storage** - We request that the State make significant investments in the courts system and the Department of Human Services to increase their document digitization efforts and review all state requirements that deal with the retention of documents.
- **Public Service Fees** - The Legislature needs to help local governments find a mechanism that makes fees more accurately reflect the cost of providing the services. Last year, the Legislature agreed to raise the fee for food inspection services but there are others that are currently still subsidized by property taxpayers. For example, the medical examiners fee for cremation permits has been set at \$75, to reflect the cost of that service; the fee should be adjusted to at least \$100. (The actual cost of providing these permits can be as high as \$150.)

- **EMS Services** - We appreciate that the Legislature provided a mechanism for local authorities to help fund these services, but the State has still provided zero funding. We believe that now that local taxpayers and the federal government have “skin in the game;” the State needs to provide a program whereby local funds can be matched by state funds to provide these services. This program is too vital to the life and health of Iowans to remain an unfunded mandate.
- **Juvenile Detention Costs:** There is an increasing need for juvenile detention beds in this state. Counties are seeing more serious crimes being committed by juvenile offenders resulting in longer stays in detention facilities. We request that the state make more beds available at the state training facilities as well as look at the reimbursement rates (and index these rates to inflation) that are provided to county facilities.
- **Medicaid reimbursement to county-owned facilities:** Counties that still have county hospitals are not receiving the state set rate for RCF services. The MCO’s are paying the lower negotiated rate (80%). The counties in the UCC that are providing these services did not negotiate this lower rate and in the absence of a negotiated rate the MCO’s should be required to pay the state negotiated rate. The current system of managed care has failed, and the Legislature must address the issue by finding other sustainable options.

Fund Place Making programs: We applaud the Governor for allocating \$100 million for Place Making projects in her Destination Iowa program. We believe that this is a critical recognition that the workforce shortage problem will take a multifaceted approach to attracting and retaining talent to Iowa. We encourage the Legislature to continue to leverage the significant community investments being made and better fund the several programs (Community Attraction and Tourism program, Enhance Iowa, Great Places, Downtown Revitalization Fund) Iowa currently has in place to encourage local communities to improve and expand quality of life investments in Iowa.

County Bonding: The UCC appreciates the Legislature increasing the level of bonding for essential county purposes by 30% as well as making this indexed to inflation. We ask that the limit be raised to a consistent level with cities, currently \$5 million. In addition, the definitions of essential county purposes have not been updated to address new challenges faced by counties. We ask that the following category be added to essential county purposes: Courthouse Improvements and Upgrades. In addition, we request the Legislature consider allowing counties to establish a fund to address the rapid deterioration of our rural roads where funds can be earmarked for infrastructure adversely affected by rainfall, flooding, and other weather events. With the increased costs of construction materials and the increase in the amount of precipitation being experienced in recent years, it is not possible to keep up with maintenance of rural gravel roads and small bridges with the current funding systems. Cities currently have the authority to establish a capital improvement fund for projects like these on a pay as you go basis. Counties need to have a similar authority to make sure that when large expenditures are necessary, strategies can be developed to minimize the effect on taxpayers.

Eminent Domain: We believe that the use of eminent domain should be reserved for public entities and only for projects that are done with governmental entities and regulated utilities.

Iowa Public Employees Retirement System: Iowa has one of the most solvent and well-funded public retirement systems in the United States. It has maintained that status with conservative investment policies and conservative growth projection. IPERS is an important and effective recruiting tool to help government agencies attract talented workers. We encourage the Legislature to carefully consider the long-term implications to that viability before any changes are made to the current system. Additionally, we would request that the State remove the increases in IPERS contributions from the growth limitations outlined in the 2019 and 2023 Property Tax Reform Bills. Local governments have no control over this and to make it subject to the growth limitations is a burden to local governments.

Water Quality: We support the funding of the Iowa Water and Land Legacy fund established by constitutional amendment as passed by two thirds of Iowa voters. The UCC would be opposed to any efforts to change the formula to anything other than that which was overwhelmingly approved by voters. We would also ask the Legislature to look closely at local partnerships that have been established and are having a positive effect. These efforts, including watershed management authorities, should be given the resources they need to make sure the work they are doing can continue.

Dangerous Drug Use: The UCC encourages the General Assembly to work with law enforcement and public health groups to make sure that Iowa's drug paraphernalia laws are compatible with best practices with regards to evidence-based harm reduction strategies. One example is that fentanyl test strips can be an important tool in harm reduction strategies and should not be considered drug paraphernalia. We also encourage the legislature to establish a technical assistance program to help counties make the best use of the funds they receive from the opioid settlement funds. The UCC also continues to encourage the Legislature to fund the drug courts.

Tax Credits: Tax credits play a major role in rebuilding communities. While we understand that these programs should be used judiciously, we believe that the current tax credit programs work (such as the Historic Tax Credit, the Endow Iowa Tax Credit, and the Renewable Energy Tax Credit). Any policy that proposes to change the way these credits currently work should be carefully balanced against the economic/tourism value if implemented.

Tax Increment Financing: We understand that this is an important tool (and one of the few) left to local governments to encourage economic development. We request that the Legislature treat county governments in a similar manner to school districts -- namely consider a mechanism to replace revenue lost from TIF districts when they are established in counties. Should changes be considered, we ask that the Legislature make counties more active partners in the use of TIFs.

Payment in Lieu of Taxes: We request that the State consider clarifying the statute governing PILT and make it mandatory that when PILT agreement is reached that the payment is distributed among all the taxing jurisdictions based on the levy structure in place at the time of the agreement.

REAP: We encourage the Legislature and the Governor to continue the program and fully fund the program at the \$20 million level. By not adequately funding the REAP program, the Legislature

is forcing local communities to look towards conservation bonding, with its property tax implications, as well as other avenues to fund projects already supported by voters.

Emergency Management Agency Funding: The current funding formula does not adequately address the needs of the urban counties in Iowa. The UCC encourages the Legislature to eliminate the funding cap on urban counties. We also encourage the State to pass through 80 percent of the federal funding it receives to counties. We would also encourage the legislature to make sure that EMA boards cannot simply dictate levy levels and budgets to boards of supervisors. These boards must be subject to the same oversight as other entities.

Early Voting: The UCC requests that the Legislature reinstate the ability to conduct elections to the locally elected officials who by law are empowered to conduct elections. Many of the changes recently enacted by the General Assembly have made it more difficult for both the voters to cast votes, and more difficult for local officials who are charged to conduct elections by state law.

Manufactured Housing Communities: Manufactured and mobile home communities are critical to the affordable housing infrastructure in rural Iowa. Counties have seen a dramatic increase in the purchase of these communities by out-of-state companies. While we appreciate the legislature beginning to address this problem recently, we believe that the state should continue its work to make sure that residents of manufactured housing communities enjoy similar protections to those offered by Iowa's landlord/tenant laws.

Alternative Project Delivery: We believe that the Iowa General Assembly should consider allowing alternative methods of project delivery when it is in the best interest of the property taxpayer to do so. This would include options like allowing counties to accept a bid that is within a percentage of the low bid if there is a publicly disclosed reason that the alternative bid is a more acceptable option for the project. This would allow local entities to find the best value for the local taxpayers.

Wage Theft: Wage theft continues to be a problem in Iowa and is exacerbated by having only two investigators for the entire state. The lack of investigators results in delays in investigations and correcting the issues. As a result, the affected workers become reliant on county and state general assistance programs. In addition, a loss of withholding tax revenues at the state and federal levels, as well as the weakening of the ability of families to support themselves occurs. We ask that the State hire more wage claim investigators to enforce the wage theft laws and eliminate the \$6,500 cap on wage claims.

Land Trusts: We encourage the legislature to pass HF 665 and send it to the governor for signature. This will allow local governments to acquire and address dilapidated property, clear titles, eliminate back taxes, and make improvements to allow for rehabilitation or redevelopment.

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APPROVAL OF THE URBAN COUNTY COALITION
LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY ISSUES

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. That the Urban County Coalition 2024 Legislative Issues and Priorities is hereby approved.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.