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### IOWA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING — JUNE 2020

**Board Meeting.** The Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) Board met on June 19, 2020, and took the following actions:

**Direct Financial Assistance and Tax Benefits.** The Board approved five projects for direct financial assistance and tax benefits through the High Quality Jobs Program (HQJP). The awards are to assist in the creation of 35 jobs and are expected to result in approximately \$630,000 in new capital investments. Details about the projects from the IEDA can be found [here](#).

**Innovation Fund Investment Tax Credit Certificates.** The Board approved the award of approximately \$54,000 in Innovation Fund Investment Tax Credit Certificates. The Certificates are to encourage seed capital investment in innovative Iowa businesses, primarily those in advanced manufacturing, biosciences, and information technology. The Certificates represent 25.0% of the investor's equity investment in a certified innovation fund.

**Iowa Innovation Council (IIC) Member Reappointments.** The Board approved the reappointment of six members to the [IIC](#). The IIC has 29 members and the members serve two-year staggered terms.

**Allocation of FY 2021 Tax Credit Cap.** The Board approved the allocation of \$155.0 million of FY 2021 tax credits for the following programs:

- [High-Quality Jobs Program Tax Credits](#) \$100.0 million (an increase of \$10.0 million compared to FY 2020)
- [Workforce Housing Tax Credits](#) \$25.0 million
- [Disaster Workforce Housing Tax Credits](#) \$0 (a decrease of \$10.0 million compared to FY 2020)
- [Renewable Chemicals Production Tax Credits](#) \$10.0 million
- [Redevelopment Tax Credits](#) \$10.0 million
- [Innovation Fund Tax Credits](#) \$10.0 million

**Vendor Contracts.** The Board approved two vendor contracts for a maximum amount totaling just over \$701,000 to be paid with federal funds and an additional five contracts totaling approximately \$5.8 million, including approximately \$5.3 million for a vendor to provide FY 2021 advertising, marketing, and public relations services.

**Financial Summary.** The Board also received financial reports from IEDA staff. As of May 31, 2020, the following amounts remain unobligated:

- General Fund Operations FY 2020: \$3.0 million.
- High Quality Jobs Program FY 2020: \$18.9 million.
- Tax Credit Cap FY 2020 Allocation: \$83.2 million.

**More Information.** Information on the meeting from the IEDA can be found [here](#).

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