## **FISCAL UPDATE Article**

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## **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING — OCTOBER 2, 2023**

**Meeting.** The Executive Council met on Monday, October 2, 2023. The following are agenda items approved by the Council:

- The Council approved the minutes from the Executive Council meeting held on September 5, 2023.
- The Council approved a request from Dennis Harper, Recovery Division Administrator, for the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management for a resolution of funds in the amount of \$250,000 pursuant to Iowa Code sections <a href="29C.20A">29C.20A</a> and <a href="29C.20B">29C.20B</a> with regard to the Governor's Proclamation of a State of Disaster Emergency for Appanoose, Benton, Cedar, Clinton, Davis, Delaware, Des Moines, Dubuque, Grundy, Iowa, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Keokuk, Linn, Lucas, Mahaska, Marshall, Monroe, Muscatine, Poweshiek, Scott, Story, Wapello, and Washington counties.
- The Council approved a request from the Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office, for retention of outside counsel at a rate of \$160 per hour pursuant to Iowa Code section 13.3 for a workers' compensation case filed by a State employee.
- The Council approved a lease between the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and two individuals. The lease is for a portion of a lot approximately 100 feet of frontage by 50 feet of depth in Clayton County, to be used for the continued presence of a driveway, retaining wall, house, and deck. The lease will run from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2027, and the annual cost of the lease is \$300.
- The Council approved emergency allocations totaling approximately \$120,000 for the following purposes:
  - \$3,000 to the Department of Public Safety (DPS) for vehicle repairs.
  - \$26,000 to the DPS for repair costs to the Iowa County and Woodward County Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System (ISICS) towers as a result of storm damage.
  - \$91,000 to the Board of Regents University of Iowa for repair costs to the field house as a result of water damage from a burst pipe.
- The Council approved the payment of cost items totaling approximately \$25,000 for the following purposes:
  - \$9,000 to the DPS for vehicle repairs.
  - \$10,000 from the General Fund for legal fees.
  - \$2,000 from lowa PBS for legal fees.
  - \$800 from the DNR for legal services on issues related to the visa status of prospective State employees.
  - \$3,000 from the Second Injury Fund for legal services.
- The Council approved a request from the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS) for reimbursement of approximately \$8,000 for federal-state agreement administrative costs incurred during FY 2023.
- The Council took note of the following information item: The seventh contingency loan payment was paid by the city of Seymour in the amount of approximately \$17,000. The total repayment to date is approximately \$62,000. The loan was approved for approximately \$285,000 on May 8, 2017, and is prorated not to exceed 20 years.

**More Information.** Additional information is available from the Legislative Services Agency upon request.

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