
FISCAL UPDATE Article

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING — JUNE 3, 2024

Meeting. The Executive Council met on Monday, June 3, 2024. The following are agenda items approved by the Council:

- The Council approved the meeting minutes for the Executive Council meeting held on May 6, 2024.
- The Council approved a request from John Benson, Director of Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department, to allocate approximately \$475,000 pursuant to Iowa Code sections [29C.20A](#) and [29C.20B](#) with regard for the Governor's Proclamation of a State of Disaster Emergency for Allamakee, Cass, Clarke, Crawford, Des Moines, Fayette, Harrison, Henry, Lee, Marion, Mills, O'Brien, Polk, Pottawattamie, Ringgold, Shelby, and Union counties.
- The Council approved a request from the Attorney General's Office for payment of expenses of approximately \$6,000 pursuant to Iowa Code section [7D.10](#).
- The Council approved a request from the Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office, for a retention of outside counsel at a rate of \$60 per hour pursuant to Iowa Code section [13.3](#) to represent the State of Iowa in a criminal appeals case through June 30, 2025.
- The Council approved a request from the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to purchase property located at 50 Forest Avenue and 1333 Ohio Street in Des Moines, at a price not to exceed approximately \$10.8 million. The purchase will allow the DPS to reduce its footprint from four disparate buildings (District 1, District 15, Fleet and Supply, and Large Vehicle Storage) to a single two-building complex.
- The Council approved emergency allocations totaling approximately \$2,000 to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for vehicle repairs.
- The Council approved the payment of cost items totaling approximately \$289,000 for the following:
 - \$50,000 to the Board of Regents for repair costs to the Eckstein Medical Research Building for damage caused by a frozen water line.
 - \$3,000 to the Department of Natural Resources for repair costs to the Lewis and Clark State Park for storm-damaged picnic tables.
 - \$96,000 to the Department of Corrections for repair costs to the Anamosa State Penitentiary for two fire-damaged water heaters.
 - \$58,000 to the Iowa Communication Network for repair costs to damaged cables.
 - \$10,000 to the DPS for vehicle repairs.
 - \$24,000 to the DPS for repair costs to the Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System Communications Tower in Hardin for lightning damage.
 - \$41,000 to the DAS for vehicle repairs.
 - \$500 from the General Fund for legal fees.
 - \$2,000 from the Attorney General's Office's Forfeiture Fund for legal fees.
 - \$400 from the Iowa PBS for legal fees.
 - \$3,000 from the Second Injury Fund for legal fees.
- The Council took note of the following information items:
 - Kristi Onstot was introduced as the new Executive Council Executive Secretary.
 - The Board of Canvass will convene on July 1, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. via teleconference following the Executive Council meeting.
 - The city of Nashua made its fourth contingency loan payment of approximately \$11,000. The loan was approved for approximately \$755,000 on March 8, 2021, and is prorated not to exceed 20 years. The total repayment to date is approximately \$755,000.

- Fremont County made its fourth contingency loan payment of approximately \$15,000. The loan was approved for approximately \$131,000 on October 19, 2020, and is prorated not to exceed 20 years. The total repayment to date is approximately \$38,000.
- There was correspondence received by Robert Gast, State Court Administrator, Judicial Branch, in regard to an election of a judicial nominating commissioner in Judicial District 2B.

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