
FISCAL UPDATE Article

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING — DECEMBER 11, 2017

Meeting. The Executive Council met on Monday, December 11, 2017. The following are highlighted agenda items approved by the Council:

- The Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office, requested the Council approve retention of special counsel pursuant to Iowa Code section [13.3\(1\)](#) in legal matters related to a workers' compensation case. The Council unanimously agreed to hire Patterson Law Firm, LLP, of Des Moines, at a rate of \$120 per hour.
- A total of approximately \$19,000 was unanimously approved for payment of various requested emergency allocations. This includes a payment of approximately \$8,250 requested by the Department of Natural Resources to cover costs associated with flood damage to Brushy Creek State Recreation Area trails.
- The Council also unanimously approved payment of various cost items totaling approximately \$178,600. This includes a payment of approximately \$2,800 to the law firm of Davis, Brown, Koehn, Shors & Roberts, PC, to cover costs associated with legal services to State agencies on issues related to the visa status of prospective State employees. The payment will be made with funds from the Iowa Department of Revenue. Additionally, the Council unanimously approved two payments totaling approximately \$171,000 from funds of the Tobacco Settlement Authority Fund.

Next Meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2017.

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

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