

**State Historical
Building Task Force
2019 Interim Report**

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House File 765

Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund appropriation to the Iowa State Fair Authority to fund costs associated with a State Historical Building TaskForce. This appropriation is exempted from the vertical infrastructure requirement in Iowa Code section 8.57(5)(c).

DETAIL: The Task Force is established in Section 13 of this Act, and is intended to assess the costs and options of constructing a new State Historical Building on the State Fairgrounds. The Task Force is required to provide an interim report to the General Assembly by December 20, 2019. The final report is due January 1, 2021.

b. For costs associated with the state historical building task force, notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 5, paragraph "c":

FY 2019-2020: \$500,000

Sec. 13. STATE HISTORICAL BUILDING TASK FORCE.

1. A state historical building task force is established within the state fair authority. The state fair authority shall provide administrative support for the task force.
2. The task force shall consist of the following members:
 - a. One member appointed by the Iowa state fair board.
 - b. One member appointed by the Iowa state fair foundation established in section 173.22.
 - c. One member appointed by the director of the department of administrative services.
 - d. One member who is designated by the general assembly as the facilities manager for facilities under the control of the general assembly.
 - e. One member appointed by the director of the department of

cultural affairs.

f. One member appointed by the governor.

g. Four members of the general assembly serving as ex officio, nonvoting members, with one representative to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, one representative to be appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives, one senator to be appointed by the majority leader of the senate, and one senator to be appointed by the minority leader of the senate.

3. The task force shall consider the feasibility, costs, and possible options relative to construction of a new state historical building museum on the state fairgrounds, to include options for relocating the collections stored in the current state historical building and creating increased access to the collections to lowans.

4. The task force shall provide an interim report to the general assembly by December 20, 2019, concerning the activities of the task force and shall submit its final report, including its findings and recommendations, to the general assembly by January 1, 2021.

PROPOSED RULES

Iowa Historical Building Task Force

1. Four of the voting members shall constitute a quorum, but a lesser number of members may adjourn or recess the Committee in the absence of a quorum.
2. A majority vote of those voting members present is necessary to carry any action
3. Whenever Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure does not conflict with the rules specifically adopted by the Committee, Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure shall govern the deliberations of the Task Force.
4. Meetings shall be set by motion before adjournment, or by call of the Chairperson of the Task Force if meetings are necessary before the date set in the motion.

State Historical Building Task Force

Date: Wednesday, October 30th

Time: 9am-11am

Location: Iowa State Fair Boardroom (Administration Building,
Iowa State Fairgrounds)

Agenda:

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Rules
3. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair
4. Budget
5. Iowa State Fair Board Motion discussion
6. Historical Building location and general discussion
7. New Business
8. Old Business
9. Adjournment

State Historical Building Task Force

Task Force Minutes

Date: Wednesday, October 30th

Time: 9am-11am

**Location: Iowa State Fair Boardroom
(Administration Building, Iowa State
Fairgrounds)**

Agenda:

1. Call to Order

Peter Cownie called the task force to order at 9:06 a.m.
Roll Call and introductions made. Task Force members
present were:

- a. Peter Cownie, Executive Director, Blue Ribbon Foundation
- b. Gary Slater, Manager/CEO, Iowa State Fair
- c. State Senator Jim Lykam
- d. State Senator Dan Zumbach

- e. Jim Kurtenbach, Director, Iowa Department of Administrative Services
- f. Chris Kramer, Director, Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs
- g. State Representative Linda Upmeyer
- h. Sara Craig, Chief of Staff, Governor Kim Reynolds
- i. Also present Julie Simon Senate Democratic Caucus Staff, Adam Broich Legislative Services Agency (LSA) and Ashley Beall House Republican Caucus Staff.

2. Approval of Rules

- a. Rules were unanimously adopted for the Task Force. Motion made by Sara Craig, seconded by Linda Upmeyer.

3. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

- a. Gary Slater moved that Sara Craig be elected as Chair and Peter Cownie as Vice-Chair. Linda Upmeyer seconded and the motion passed unanimously

4. Budget

- a. Adam Broich from LSA gave an update on the budget for the Task Force and the Code language regarding the charge for the Task Force.

5. Iowa State Fair Board Motion discussion

- a. Peter Cownie and Gary Slater led discussion on the motion (see insert) made by the Iowa State Fair Board supporting possible locations for the Historical Building to be located and built on the Iowa State

Fairgrounds. See inserted map for possible locations that were considered.

6. Historical Building location and general discussion

- a. The Task Force had a broad discussion on steps going forward. Questions to be considered and answered for the next meeting include a DAS report on what the sale of the land from the current Historical Building site would net to the State of Iowa. The Iowa State Fair will work with the City of Des Moines and inquire what possible short and long term plans the City has for University Avenue surrounding the Fairgrounds. There was also discussion regarding the goals of the Task Force, what costs are for Iowa State Fair building projects in general, how might parking be affected. Slater and Cownie both asked for parking to be a prime consideration for any plan moving forward with regard to displaced parking. A discussion regarding facility management, archives, and the office for the Department of Cultural Affairs was also had.

7. New Business

- a. The Task Force adjourned with next steps for the Iowa State Fair to create interim report to be submitted to the General Assembly the week of December 20th. The Iowa State Fair would circulate a first draft to Task Force members the week of December 9th for their additions, corrections, and

approval. A final recommendation from the Task Force is due January 1, 2021.

8. Old Business

- a. No old business to discuss

9. Adjournment

- a. Gary Slater moved for adjournment at 10:42 a.m. Seconded by Peter Cownie. Motion carried unanimously

Iowa State Fair Capital Projects

During the initial meeting of the Historical Building Task Force there was discussion on capital projects at the Iowa State Fair. What are those projects and tentatively when will they start and when will they be completed?

The largest current capital project is the renovation of the 4H Building. This is an approximately \$14 million project that will result in nearly 20,000 additional classroom square footage as well as a new kitchen, renovated restroom facilities, lighting, flooring and windows. The current planning has this renovation completed by the start of the 2020 Iowa State Fair. Other capital projects include a new interactive garden just to the east and north of Little Hands on the Farm and a new cookie facility on Grand Avenue. Tentative plans are for these to be complete by the start of the 2020 Iowa State Fair.

For the future, our focus will be to continue the development of the new outdoor events area immediately to the west of the Grandstand. This outdoor events area will seat nearly 6000 people and will be the home of the tractor pull. The Iowa State Fair is currently investigating what additional programming will take place in this area. Tentative planning calls for this project to break ground after the 2020 Iowa State Fair.

Iowa State Fair Board Motion

October 9, 2019

Reviewed and recommended approval to proceed with House File 765 – State Historical Building Taskforce. Will accept limited and viable options for the taskforce to do the study and make recommendations. Van Aernam moved to approve; R. Brown seconded. Motion carried unanimously.



