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## FISCAL UPDATE Article

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### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING — SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

**Meeting.** The Executive Council met on Tuesday, September 5, 2023. The following are agenda items approved by the Council:

- The Council approved the minutes from the Executive Council meeting held on August 7, 2023.
- A personal appearance was made by Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Director Adam Steen and Risk and Benefits Management Bureau Chief Jessica Lingo to request approval of the health and dental insurance premiums for calendar year (CY) 2024 and the Delta Dental of Iowa contract. The Council approved the proposed rates and the contract.
- The Council approved the following requests from Dennis Harper, Recovery Division Administrator, for the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management:
  - A resolution of funds of approximately \$229,000 pursuant to Iowa Code sections [29C.20A](#) and [29C.20B](#) with regard to the Governor's Proclamation of a State of Disaster Emergency for Des Moines, Lee, and Sioux counties.
  - A resolution of funds of approximately \$498,000 pursuant to Iowa Code section [29C.8\(3\)\(f\)\(1\)](#) and [605 IAC 12](#) with regard to the response activation to the 2023 structural building collapse in Scott County.
- The Council approved a request from the Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office, for approximately \$24,000 pursuant to Iowa Code section [7D.10](#) for court costs and expenses incurred in prosecuting civil commitments under Iowa Code chapter [229A](#) for the Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) program.
- The Council approved the following leases:
  - A lease between the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and CHS, Inc. The lease is for two portions of the Mississippi River bed approximately 215 feet of frontage by 45 feet of depth and 550 feet of frontage by 45 feet of depth at river mile 475.7 in Scott County, to be used for barge loading and unloading. The lease will run from June 1, 2023, through December 31, 2027, and the annual cost of the lease is approximately \$5,000.
  - A lease between the DNR and River Trading Company, Ltd. The lease is for a portion of the Mississippi River bed approximately 500 feet of frontage by 30 feet of depth at river mile 451.4 in Muscatine County, to be used for barge loading and unloading. The lease will run from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2027, and the annual cost of the lease is \$3,000.
  - A lease between the DNR and Tallgrass Apartments, LLC. The lease is for a portion of parcel "H" in Muscatine County, to be used for access into a residential development area. The lease will run from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2027, and the annual cost of the lease is \$600.
  - A lease between the DNR and Interstate Power and Light Company. The lease is for a parcel of the Mississippi River bed including approximately 1,400 feet of frontage by 200 feet of depth at river mile 660.0 in Allamakee County, to be used for barge fleeting. The lease will run from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, and the annual cost of the lease is approximately \$12,000.
  - A lease between the DNR and Magellan Pipeline Terminals, LP. The lease is for a portion of the Mississippi River bed approximately 300 feet of frontage by 40 feet of depth at river mile 488.5 in Scott County, to be used for barge loading and unloading. The lease will run from October 1, 2022, through December 31, 2026, and the annual cost of the lease is approximately \$2,000.
  - A lease between the DNR and CHS, Inc. The lease is for a portion of the Mississippi River bed approximately 450 feet of frontage by 145 feet of depth at river mile 450.0 in Muscatine County, to be used for barge loading and unloading. The lease will run from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2027, and the annual cost of the lease is approximately \$4,000.

- The Council approved emergency allocations totaling approximately \$2.1 million for the following purposes:
  - Approximately \$114,000 to the DAS for vehicle repairs.
  - Approximately \$38,000 to the DAS for roof damage to the Hoover building as a result of a storm.
  - Approximately \$20,000 to the Iowa Communications Network (ICN) for cable repair costs.
  - Approximately \$3,000 to the DNR for road crossing damage to the Little Sioux Wildlife Management Area in Clay County as a result of flood damage.
  - Approximately \$6,000 to the DNR for repair costs to Maquoketa Caves State Park as a result of storm damage.
  - Approximately \$1.8 million to the DNR for repair costs to the Loess Hills State Forest as a result of a wildfire.
  - Approximately \$99,000 to the Department of Public Safety (DPS) for vehicle repairs.
  - Approximately \$7,000 to the DPS for repair costs to the Jones County Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System (ISICS) tower as a result of storm damage.
  - Approximately \$36,000 to the DPS for lightning damage repairs to the Waterloo ISICS tower as a result of a storm.
- The Council approved the payment of cost items totaling approximately \$137,000 for the following purposes:
  - Approximately \$7,000 to the ICN for cable repair costs.
  - Approximately \$2,000 to the Department of Cultural Affairs for repairs to the Western Historic Trails Center as a result of gunshot damage.
  - Approximately \$27,000 to the Iowa State Fair for repair costs as a result of lightning damage.
  - Approximately \$27,000 to the DNR for repair costs as a result of flood damage at Yellow River State Forest.
  - Approximately \$54,000 to the DNR for repair costs as a result of a fallen tree at Maquoketa Caves State Park.
  - Approximately \$8,000 to the DPS for repair costs to the Keosauqua ISICS communications tower as a result of stolen cables.
  - Approximately \$8,000 to the DPS for repair costs to numerous ISICS communications towers as a result of storm damage.
  - Approximately \$200 from the Attorney General's Office's Forfeiture Fund for special counsel.
  - Approximately \$300 from the Department of Revenue for legal services.
  - Approximately \$3,000 from the Second Injury Fund for legal services.

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

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