

**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
WINDSOR HEIGHTS, IOWA  
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item No. \_\_\_\_\_  
For Meeting of 08/20/07

**ITEM TITLE:** A resolution authorizing the Mayor to make an application to the Iowa Department of Transportation for Iowa's Clean Air Attainment Program for the partial funding of improvements to Hickman Road (US Highway 6) from Westover Boulevard to 63<sup>rd</sup> Street and further approving the application which obligates the City to match funds for the construction of said project

**CONTACT PERSON:** John Wiedman, Public Works Director  
Marketa George Oliver, City Administrator

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION**

The Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) established a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), which was continued in the federal transportation bill called The 2005 Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). Staff recently met with Jim Dickinson regarding this application and improvements necessary to complete the proposed Hickman Corridor project. Dickinson has recommended the following:

- Right-turn lane on east bound Hickman Road at 63<sup>rd</sup> Street.
- Traffic signal at Westover Boulevard and Hickman Road.
- Intersection improvements at Westover Boulevard to accommodate commercial development

This project will require the acquisition of right-of-way for the construction of the improvements. Currently the City is planning on requiring the developer to provide the necessary right-of-way.

The grant also requires a minimum 20% match in order to qualify for funding.

Calhoun-Burns is currently preparing an engineer's estimate for this project. Documents must be submitted to the Des Moines MPO by August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Applications are due to the Iowa Department of Transportation on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007.

Staff is asking for support of the application in order to proceed with the grant process.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution _____ Ordinance _____ Contract _____ Other (Specify) _____
Funding Source _____
APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL _____ <div style="text-align: right;">City Administrator</div>

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Pass resolution authorizing application on a roll call vote.

**COUNCIL ACTION:**

**RESOLUTION 07-0820/**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO MAKE AN APPLICATION TO THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR IOWA'S CLEAN AIR ATTAINMENT PROGRAM FOR THE PARTIAL FUNDING OF IMPROVEMENTS TO HICKMAN ROAD FROM THE INTERSECTION OF WESTOVER BOULEVARD TO THE INTERSECTION WITH 63<sup>rd</sup> STREET AND FURTHER APPROVING THE APPLICATION WHICH OBLIGATES THE CITY TO MATCH FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SAID PROJECT

WHEREAS, the 2005 Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) established a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) program; and

WHEREAS, said program allows for funding to be provided to local jurisdictions for eligible transportation projects or programs that will contribute to meeting attainment of National Ambient Air Quality Standards; and

WHEREAS, the City of Windsor Heights has contracted with a professional traffic engineering firm, who has evaluated the project and determined that by providing improvements to this intersection there will be less traffic delays thereby reducing vehicle emissions;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANDALE, IOWA, THAT:

1. The City Council supports and approves an application for Iowa's Clean Air Attainment Program funding to make improvements to the intersection at 1) Westover Boulevard and Hickman Road and 2) 63<sup>rd</sup> Street and Hickman Road.
2. The City Council hereby commits to the City matching monies as required by Iowa's Clean Air Attainment Program and directs staff to include the appropriate amount of local match in the FY 2009 budget.
3. The City Council hereby commits to accepting and maintaining these improvements.
4. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the application on behalf of the City.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2007.

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David J. Sullivan, Mayor

Attest:

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Marketa George Oliver, City Administrator/Clerk