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City of Council Bluffs
Matthew Cox,Public Works Director
209 Pearl Street
Council Bluffs, IA 51503

Ref: City of Council Bluffs - FFY 2025 City Bridge Program Award Notice
BRM-1642(689)--8N-78
9Th Ave over Indian Creek
FHWA Structure No. 503935
Agreement No. 4-24-HBP-011

Matthew Cox:

Based on the acceptance notice by the City of Council Bluffs, I am pleased to confirm that the above referenced bridge has been selected for Federal funding through the City Bridge Program, pending the acceptance of an Iowa DOT Federal Funding Agreement for a City Highway Bridge Program (HBP) Project.

The City HBP is administered on a reimbursement basis. This means all project costs must be paid up-front and then reimbursement is requested from the Iowa DOT for eligible project construction costs. Reimbursement for this project will be limited to 100% of the eligible bridge replacement or rehabilitation construction costs, or a maximum of $1,500,000 dollars, whichever is less. You can find additional information in our Highway Bridge Programs for Cities and Counties I.M. No. 1.100 online at https://www.iowadot.gov/local_systems/publications/im/1100.pdf. If you have further questions about this program or eligible project costs, please contact me.

If you have not already done so, please contact the appropriate Regional Planning Affiliation (RPA) or Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and request that this project be included in their Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for an upcoming Federal Fiscal Year that begins on October 1. Please see https://iowadot.gov/systems_planning/district-transportation-planners-area-of-responsibility for contact information by selecting the area on the map where you City resides. For further assistance, you may also contact the Iowa DOT District Planner for your area, Scott Suhr. they are also copied on this email.

Attached to this e-mail is an unsigned project agreement. Please review the agreement and exhibit to verify if it follows the intent of the project, particularly the administering agency contact information and funding. If acceptable, obtain the necessary signatures and send a scanned copy of the signed agreement to me at eryn.stone@iowadot.us for full execution. **This funding agreement must be signed by the City within 90 days of the date of this email.**

After the agreement is signed by the Iowa DOT, you will work with Jen Bates, P.E., Project Development Engineer, Joe Albright, Project Development Technician, and Arielle Munch, Project Development Technician during future project development activities. **This project must proceed to an Iowa DOT letting within 3 years**

of the Iowa DOT signing of the agreement. After the project letting, you will work with the Western Region Field Engineer, Zachary Gunsolley, P.E., regarding construction and reimbursement activities. Both Jen and the Region Field Engineer are copied on this e-mail.

Guidance for Federal funded project development activities is contained in the Iowa DOT Local Systems Instructional Memorandums, available at: https://iowadot.gov/local_systems/publications/im/imtoc.pdf.

Thank-you in advance for a timely response. If you have any questions about this program or the offered funding, please let me know.

Respectfully,

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cc: Jenifer Bates, P.E., Local Systems Project Development Engineer
Zachary Gunsolley, P.E., Western Region - Local Systems Field Engineer
Scott Suhr, District Planner
John Rasmussen, P.E., Pottawattamie County Engineer
Mike Helgerson, Metropolitan Area Planning Agency

Attachment