

NOTICE OF RPA 15 POLICY BOARD MEETING

Thursday, May 26th at 11:30am
Transit Office, 612 S Madison, Ottumwa
Or by phone 551-258-5668

Board Members

Chairperson: _____ Dale House Van Buren County Supervisor
Vice-Chair: _____ Daryl Wood Keokuk County Supervisor
Secretary: _____ RPC Staff

_____ Sean Murphy, Oskaloosa City Rep _____ Rick Johnson, Ottumwa City Mayor
_____ Aaron Kooiker, Fairfield City Administrator _____ Steve Wanders, Mahaska County Supervisor
_____ Jim Morlan, Sigourney City Mayor _____ Wayne Huit, Wapello County Supervisor
_____ OPEN, City Rep/Van Buren County _____ Susie Drish, Jefferson County Supervisor

1. Call to Order.

Action Items

2. **Minutes.** Review/approve March 24th, 2022 minutes.
3. **Review and take action on TAP applications.** Committee will listen to applicants, score projects (projects must score 60 points average to be eligible), then recommend projects for funding.
 - a. **Jefferson County.** Requesting \$576,000 in TAP funding to pave the Cedar View Trail in FY26.
 - b. **Keosauqua.** Requesting \$476,840 in funding to construct accessible boat launch on the lower Des Moines River Water Trail in FY24. Note: This project is within a scenic byway corridor, the RPA may fund this project at 50% (\$298,025) and encourage applicant to apply to statewide TAP in October for remaining 30%.
 - c. **Ottumwa.** Requesting \$654,171 in funding to construct the Oxbow Lagoon trail in FY25.

TAC Recommendation: splitting the \$956,053 evenly between the three applications so each project receives \$318,684. Requiring applicants to report back in 2024 on their progress in securing other funds or ability to reduce scope.

Staff Recommendation: funding one project fully (80%) to ensure it has the funding and increase the likelihood of completion. Or fund Jefferson or Ottumwa fully (80%) and Keosauqua 50% and encourage their application for statewide (30%), where they are not guaranteed funding but likely to be approved.

4. **Review and take action on STBG applications.** Committee will listen to applicants and then recommend projects for funding.
 - a. **Keswick.** Requesting \$400,000 in funding in FY25 for North Irons Street from the NCL to 800 ft South.
 - b. **Sigourney.** Requesting \$400,000 in funding in FY25 for E Pleasant Valley from Hwy 149 to Pershing Blvd.

TAC Recommendation: approve Keswick due to higher score than Sigourney, not approve Sigourney.

Staff Recommendation: Same as TAC, approve Keswick, not approve Sigourney.

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- c. **Fairfield.** Requesting \$140,000 in funding in FY23 for E Burlington Ave (Business 34) over Crow Creek.

TAC Recommendation: Approve as presented.

Staff Recommendation: Approve as presented.

- d. **Jefferson Co.** Requesting \$2,080,000 funding in FY26 for W40 (Germanville Rd) from 150th to Vetch Blvd.

TAC Recommendation: Approve as presented.

Staff Recommendation: Approve as presented.

- e. **Mahaska Co.** Requesting \$1,557,000 in funding in FY26 for G29 from Hickory Ave to Oxford Ave.

TAC Recommendation: Approve as presented.

Staff Recommendation: Approve as presented.

5. Review and take action on Transportation Planning Work Program.

Staff recommendation: Approve as presented.

Review Items

6. **Status updates on active STBG/SWAP and TAP projects.** Project sponsors may discuss the status of current projects.

Other

7. **Next Meeting.** June 23rd @ 11:30am
8. **Adjourn.**

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