


# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	<b>20-313</b>	Meeting:	<b>July 13, 2020</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>6</b>	Roll Call:	[ _____ ]
	Submitted by:	<b>Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer</b>		

## AGENDA HEADING:

Approve and authorize Iowa Department of Transportation Agreement (IDOT) for a Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy Program (RISE) Project and related agreement between the City of Des Moines and Des Moines Airport Authority for the Cowles Drive Reconstruction Program (Phase 1) at the Des Moines International Airport.

## SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approving and authorizing agreements that will allow the Des Moines Airport Authority to receive an estimated amount of \$1,456,002 in RISE funding from IDOT for the Cowles Drive Reconstruction Program (Phase 1) at the Des Moines International Airport. The total estimated Phase 1 project cost is \$2,912,003.

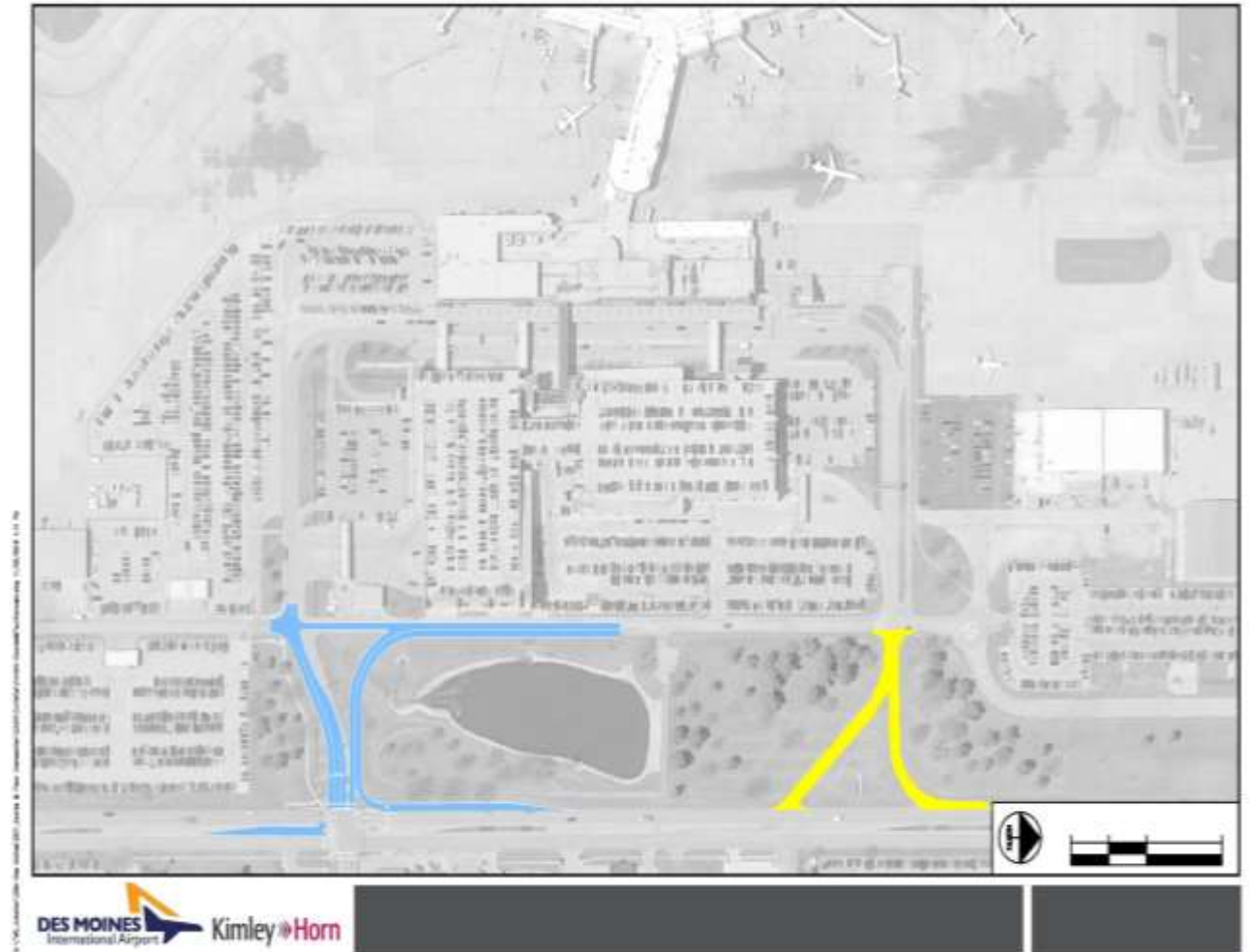
## FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- City Council authorized submittal of a RISE grant application on January 27, 2020, by Roll Call No. 20-0131 for the Des Moines Airport Authority's Cowles Drive Reconstruction Program within the Des Moines International Airport including some street intersection improvements at Fleur Drive.
- IDOT Transportation Commission Order No. PPM-2020-63 approved the RISE application for Phase 1 of the Cowles Drive Reconstruction Program on April 14, 2020. The RISE agreement was then negotiated between the City, IDOT and Des Moines Airport Authority. The City of Des Moines is the required applicant and identified as the project sponsor, while the Des Moines Airport Authority is the recipient.
- The Des Moines Airport Authority is fully responsible for the project, all costs, and all obligations included in the IDOT RISE Agreement. The related agreement between the City of Des Moines and Des Moines Airport Authority confirms this relationship and obligations.
- The overall Cowles Drive Reconstruction Program currently consists of a total of six (6) separate phases with an estimated total cost of \$44,000,000 in improvements, of which \$19,250,000 is anticipated to be requested in RISE funds over the entirety of the reconstruction program.

- Once completed, the Phase 1 Project combines the entrance and exit to the Airport at a location directly across from the intersection of Fleur Drive and Highview Drive. Currently, the Airport entrance and exit locations are offset by approximately 1,150 feet along Fleur Drive. The portion of roadway shown in blue in Exhibit 1 (current exit) is to be reconstructed to combine the entrance and exit at this location and the portion of roadway shown in yellow in Exhibit 1 (current entrance) is to be removed.

## EXHIBIT 1

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: January 27, 2020

Roll Call Number: [20-0131](#)

Action: [Authorization](#) to submit a Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) grant application to the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) for the Des Moines Airport Authority's Cowles Drive Reconstruction Program. ([Council Communication No. 20-033](#)). Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion carried 7-0.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

- Acceptance of completed improvements within the City right of way.
- The Des Moines Airport Authority intends to complete the Cowles Drive Reconstruction Program in multiple phases over several years; therefore, subsequent amendments to this RISE funding agreement and/or subsequent RISE grant applications and agreements are anticipated to be requested for future approval by the Council.

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