

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: INTERMODAL FACILITY TIGER GRANT AUTHORIZATION**

**BACKGROUND:**

The federal government released a notice of funding availability for the 2011 TIGER grants on July 1, 2011 with final applications due on October 31, 2011. With the facility partially funded under TIGER I, there is a desire to seek additional funding that could more closely build the facility as originally envisioned. The project team has developed a **preliminary budget** totaling \$12,506,250 to fund Phase II of the Intermodal Facility. The table below details the unfunded Phase II elements compared with the funded Phase I elements.

	Phase I		Phase II	
<b>Project Element</b>	<b>TIGER I/5309 Federal</b>	<b>Local Share</b>	<b>2011 TIGER Federal</b>	<b>Local Share</b>
Site Acquisition	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000
Site Preparation	\$809,192	\$0	\$180,000	\$0
Parking Structure	\$5,894,146	\$0	\$5,440,000	\$0
Intercity Office/Wait. Area	\$311,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bus Road/Bays/Canopy	\$419,910	\$0	\$365,000	\$0
Bike Path - Site	\$105,500	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bike Lockers	\$27,500	\$0	\$33,000	\$0
Public Restrooms	\$207,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bike Path - Arboretum	\$0	\$0	\$386,000	\$0
Roadway Improvements		\$0		
- Signal (Chamberlain)	\$0	\$0	\$180,000	\$0
- Street Improvements	\$0	\$0	\$1,420,000	\$44,250*
Rolling Stock (1 Hybrid)	\$0	\$0	\$498,000	\$102,000
CyRide AVL/NextStop	\$0	\$0	\$18,000	\$305,000
Equipment	\$105,000	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
Design/Project Mgt.	\$933,752	\$87,500	\$1,135,000	\$0
Grant Admin. (CyRide)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000
Creek Landscaping	\$0	\$0	\$210,000	\$0
Pedestrian Access (west)	\$0	\$0	\$115,000	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,813,000</b>	<b>\$87,500</b>	<b>\$10,005,000</b>	<b>\$2,501,250</b>

\* The \$44,250 local match for street improvements will come from the City's commitment of \$22,125 and ISU's commitment of \$22,125.

In summary, the benefits of accomplishing Phase II of the Intermodal Facility are as follows:

- The **second parking structure and an additional level** on the Phase I structure to be built, adding an **estimated 250 additional spaces**
- **CyRide shuttle** from the facility to campus and throughout the community
- Automatic Vehicle Location (**AVL**) **equipment** for CyRide transfer bus stops
- **Bike path** to be extended through ISU's Arboretum
- Twelve additional **bike lockers**
- **Pedestrian walkway** from Knapp Street to Lincoln Way connecting the SW Athletic complex, Intermodal Facility and State Gym/Beyer Hall recreational facilities

**To apply for this new 2011 TIGER grant opportunity, staff revised the TIGER II application submitted last fall that was not funded by the U.S. Department of Transportation. The new 2011 TIGER grant requirements include a \$10 million minimum federal share and 20% local match. This 20% match requirement would necessitate \$44,250 in additional local funding for the facility if the grant application is ultimately approved. The Vice President for Business and Finance has agreed that Iowa State University will contribute \$22,125 towards this local match if the City agrees to provide the remaining \$22,125 for the local match.**

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve support for a TIGER grant application to fund Phase II of the Intermodal Facility and commit \$22,125 from Contingency Fund towards the local match if the grant is approved.
2. Do not support the TIGER grant application for construction of the Intermodal Facility's Phase II project.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

The second phase of the Intermodal Facility would allow for adequate parking to advance a Campustown Redevelopment project and recreational facilities within the area, as well as alleviating parking issues in this part of the city. Additionally, it would complete the coordination of transportation functions within the city by allowing CyRide to link with other forms of transportation that will be located at the Intermodal Facility after the completion of Phase I of this project. The economic benefits to the community could also be significant. **The commitment of an additional \$22,125 of City monies to fund Phase II of the Intermodal Facility seems to be a wise investment since it will leverage an additional \$10,000,000 in federal funding and result in the numerous other benefits highlighted above.**

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving support of a TIGER grant application and associated local match of \$22,125 from the Contingency Fund if the grant is approved.