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**To:** Mayor and Ames City Council Members

**From:** Steven L. Schainker, City Manager

**Date:** September 16, 2016

**Subject:** Item No. 2: Connection with Story County Bike Trails

You will recall that one of the objectives under your goal to “Encourage Healthy Lifestyles” is to work with the appropriate groups to establish trail connections from the City limits to the Heart of Iowa trail. The initial task to accomplish this objective was for the City Manager to meet with the Story County Board of Supervisors to determine interest and plans to date for establishing these connections and report back to the Council.

In accordance with this directive, I recently met with Story County Supervisor Rick Sanders and Mike Cox, Director of the Story County Conservation Board, to discuss any future plans to connect their bike trail system with the City of Ames. Rather than provide you with a report summarizing this meeting as you initially requested, I have asked Rick and Mike to attend the September 20<sup>th</sup> Council workshop to personally share this important information with you!