

ITEM #:	<u>15</u>
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COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: IOWA DOT IOWA CLEAN AIR ATTAINMENT PROGRAM (ICAAP) GRANT APPLICATION FOR 2025/26 INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PROGRAM PHASE 5

BACKGROUND:

Phase 5 of the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Program is included in the FY 2025/26 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) with \$1,996,000 programmed from ICAAP and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funding. Of this amount, \$940,000 in CRP funds has already been secured.

The previous two ICAAP applications for the project were not awarded, so Phases 5 and 6 have now been combined into a single project to maximize the competitiveness of the application. The attached application seeks \$1,213,760 in ICAAP funds. **If awarded, the total grant funding for the project would be \$2,153,760.**

Local funding of \$1,187,600 is programmed in the CIP in FY 2025/26 and FY 2026/27 under the ITS Program. These funds are sufficient to cover the required local match as well as project engineering.

Below is a table showing the revenues and estimated expenses.

Revenues		Expenses	
2025/26 G.O. Bonds	\$367,540	Design	\$300,000
2025/26 Road Use Tax	\$431,460	Construction	\$2,692,200
2026/27 G.O. Bonds	\$178,756	Design & Construction Administration	\$100,000
2026/27 Road Use Tax	\$209,844		
Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)	\$940,000		
ICAAP (This Request)	\$1,213,760		
Total	\$3,341,360	Total	\$3,092,200

As part of the ICAAP process, the City must certify that it will commit the necessary local matching funds for project implementation and, upon completion, be responsible for adequately maintaining and operating the project for public use during its useful life.

Project applications must be submitted to the Iowa DOT by October 1, 2025. Awards are anticipated in January 2026, with funding for successful projects available beginning October 1, 2026, in FFY 2027.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Certify the Iowa DOT Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) Grant Application for the 2025/26 Intelligent Transportation System Program Phase 5.
2. Do not certify the Iowa DOT Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) Grant Application for the 2025/26 Intelligent Transportation System Program Phase 5 and direct staff to pursue other funding.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Local certification is a requirement of this ICAAP grant application and receiving this grant is crucial for the last phase of the ITS program to be completed. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.

ATTACHMENT(S):

[Phase 5 Map.pdf](#)

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