



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

TO: Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA - City Manager

FROM: Susi Lampe, CMC, IaCMC, IaCFO – Assistant City Manager/City Clerk/Treasurer

DATE OF MEETING: February 23, 2026

ITEM TITLE: Maintenance agreement with the Iowa Department of Transportation

BACKGROUND:

This agreement concerns the primary road extension of IA 150 from 8th Street SE to 16th Street NE, a distance of 3.46 lane miles, during the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2031.

DISCUSSION:

The revenue generated from this agreement covers the City's road maintenance during the Fiscal Year for this section of roadway.

RESULTS:

The City has established priorities during strategic planning sessions. This item supports the Vision from that session of **supporting and enhancing City infrastructure**, and **efficient and effective planning and prioritizing of all available resources**. This item helps achieve that vision by maintaining a highly trafficked road in Independence and by receiving funding from the State rather than local taxpayers.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

The City has received \$8,321.30 per year from the last five-year agreement. It is unknown at this time what the amount will be for this five-year agreement.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends a motion to approve and authorize the City Manager to sign the 2026-2031 Agreement with the Iowa Department of Transportation.