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To: **Mayor and City Council** **Date:** **May 20, 2016**

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Re: **May 2016 Update**

Description: Report

- Working with Public Works whenever necessary.
- Working with the Community Development Department to review building construction, rezoning requests, site plan review, and citizen requests.
- Construction is underway on the Dell Ridge Phase II plat and Heritage Green 12th Addition.
- Construction has continued on the 2015 Sewer and Water Extension project to the newly annexed area. Ricklefs Excavating has now installed most all the pressure line and the water main extension. Work is now beginning on the gravity main north of Fitzroy. The completion date of the entire project is still anticipated for late summer 2016.
- The Industrial Avenue RISE project with Horsfield Construction Inc. from Epworth Iowa is now essentially complete. All that remains will be seeding and clean up items identified in the punch list. This project has gone very well.
- Shive Hattery Engineers and Architects have prepared the bid package for Phase I of the NCPR/Emmons/Robins Road Intersection that also includes the construction of Oak Street. This project was awarded to Ricklefs Excavating of Anamosa with construction to start in June.

  The steering committee is now reviewing the Phase II check plans for the new street paving, street lights, and traffic signals. The proposed schedule is to hold the public hearing on the plans, specifications, estimate of cost, and form of contract at the June 1st Council meeting. Bidding is scheduled for June 28th. The Council can then approve a construction contract at the first meeting in July.

- The Joint asphalt project on Tower Terrace Road has started. Linn County is the contracting agency with our share of cost approximately $95,000.00. The project most likely will be completed in less than 2 weeks.

- Conducted meetings with the DOT and other surrounding cites regarding the future Tower Terrace interchange. The meetings were very productive in developing a plan for funding options to move the construction up on the DOT 5-year plan.

- Attended several meetings of the Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization regarding the proposed 2020 funding allocation. Many discussions regarding the TTAC committee recommendation to fund the Highway 100/80th Street ramps rather than the top scored project of Boyson Road from Hawkeye Drive to Robins Road.

I'm sure there are some items missed. If you have any questions, please feel free to let me know.

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