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To: **Mayor and City Council** **Date: October 26, 2016**

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Re: **October 2016 Update**

Description: Report

- Working with Public Works whenever necessary.
- Working with the Community Development Department to review building site plans, rezoning requests, and citizen requests.
- Construction is complete on the Heritage Green 12th Additions. Construction has started on the R&S Addition on the north end on the newly constructed Industrial Avenue.
- Ricklefs Excavating Inc. from Anamosa is complete with the construction of the sewer and water main extension to the newly annexed area along Edgewood Road between Fitzroy Road and County Home Road. The contractor is working on completing the punch list items and must provide all operation manuals, warranty information, and lien waivers in order for the Council to accept the project next month.
- The first phase of the North Center Point/Emmons/Robins intersection with Ricklefs Excavating is complete. All roads are open to traffic. The contractor is working on punch list items and final documentation in order for the Council to accept the project next month.
- Rathje Construction Inc. from Marion Iowa has the project to reconstruct the existing intersection of North Center Point Road/Emmons Street/Robins Road Phase II. The west one-half of North center Point Road is now complete and open to traffic. Traffic has been moved to the newly constructed street in order to complete the east one-half.
- Alliant Energy has a contractor in the area lowering the existing power lines into the franchise utility trench constructed under our Phase I contract. The schedule for that work to be completed in 2 weeks.

- The presentation of the proposal to participate in the construction of the future Tower Terrace interchange took place October 11th in Dubuque. The discussion with the IDOT Commission seemed to go very well. All metro Cities and Linn County were present at the meeting. Meeting. In addition, the DOT staff and consultants held an open house in Hiawatha City Hall on October 12th to review the latest findings of the new IJR. Over 100 people were in attendance.

- We have started design of the Boyson Road Interchange interim improvement project. The proposal we prepared was sent to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for approval. We are waiting to hear back from them.

- The Boyson Trail Extension project is underway. Weather permitting, hopefully will be completed before Thanksgiving.

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

IDOT Meeting

Boyson Trail Project