

IOWA VERTICAL INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 9th, 2008
Meeting Minutes

The Governor's Vertical Infrastructure Advisory Committee met at Building 23 of the Energy Resource Center at DMACC in Ankeny and toured the Agriculture Building at the Ankeny Labs following the meeting.

Call to Order, Introductions and Roll Call

Committee Members Present:

Les Holland, Chair
Eve Palmer
Terry Slinde
Mary Krier
Dennis Bennett
Gary Benshoof

Committee Members Absent:

Dan Prymek

Others in attendance for all or a portion of the meeting included:

Jerome Thompson, Dept. of Cultural Affairs
Gordon Hendrickson, Dept. of Cultural Affairs
Brad Heir, Dept. of Corrections
Christine Suckow, Dept. of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise
Mickel Edwards, Dept. of Corrections
Dan Lane, Dept. of Natural Resources
Dean Ibsen, Dept. of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise
Nick Smith, Dept. of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise
Kathy Shannon, Veteran Affairs
Pat Mullenbach, Dept. of Administrative Services, Finance
Kris Houston, Iowa Public Television
Captain Mark Probst, Iowa State Patrol
Curt Klaassen, Iowa Energy Resource Center
Bobby Bailey, Dept. of Administrative Services, Core

Call to Order and Introductions

Dean Ibsen called the meeting to order at approximately 10:30. He served as temporary chair until Les Holland could arrive. Curt Klaassen, the Director of the Energy Resource Center welcomed the committee to the facility. He said that the Energy Resource Center was created in 1990 by the Iowa Legislature. The main goal of the program is to conduct experiments and research energy. Energy efficiency in buildings is what the center works primarily on.

Questions and Comments from Committee Members

There were no questions or comments.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Dennis Bennett moved to table the minutes of the September 11 meeting until the next meeting. Terry Slinde seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Old Business

Dean Ibsen said that routine maintenance had been reduced to \$1.4 million and that the \$1.6 million had been diverted to a jump start housing project in response to the floods. \$1 million of property acquisition money had also been diverted from DAS. He said that all agencies had been notified. The major maintenance money for FY2009 would depend on the sale of bonds. The status is currently not known, but the sale of the bonds probably will occur sometime between now and spring of 2009.

Capital Project Requests

Dean Ibsen explained the format for the project requests. The requests are in order by agency and priority is included if known. Funding information is provided only for FY2010 and FY2011. In the past Vertical Infrastructure Advisory Committee has reviewed the offers and made recommendations to the Governor on projects applicable to their role as defined in Governor Vilsack's Executive Order #3. The Capitol Planning Commission also projects requested by the Department of Administrative Services, and makes recommendations to the legislature.

Department of Corrections: Mickel Edwards presented

The priorities for corrections projects have been structured around expansion of facilities. Mickel also said that they wanted to expand community based corrections buildings. Corrections' requests also include improvements recommended by a security audit and statewide DOC institutional major maintenance needs.

Veterans Home: Kathy Shannon

Kathy Shannon discussed several priorities that the Vets Home had for 2010. She talked primarily about Phase 1 of the Nursing home and Pavilion 1. Dean Ibsen discussed some of the other work such as the proposal to construct a 20' X 40' addition to the rear of the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs facility at Camp Dodge.

Iowa State Patrol: Captain Mark Probst

Captain Probst said that the list is much the same as last year and asked if anyone had any questions. Eve Palmer asked if the problems with the Osceola post had been resolved. Captain Probst said that he was working with DAS Project Manager Michael Schmidt.

Iowa Public Television: Kris Houston

Kris Houston discussed two requests; the Dubuque Translator Facility and the purchase of a building IPTV is currently leasing.

Department of Cultural Affairs: Jerome Thompson and Gordon Hendrickson

Jerome Thompson discussed five projects that they submitted. The Grout Museum District Oral History, the Historic Preservation Capitals, the Kimball Organ Restoration, the Great Places Capitals and the Battle Flag Preservation.

ILEA: Did not present.

Human Services: Dean Ibsen said he would present on behalf of Karalyn Kuhns after the other agencies were done.

Department of Administrative Services: Tim Ryburn

Tim Ryburn said that DAS had submitted 25 requests totaling \$140 million. The top priorities were Major Maintenance and Routine Maintenance followed by building and grounds renewal program, Capitol

Complex fire protection of Central Energy Plant, GSE/Complex Pedestrian/Utility Repairs, GSE/Renovation of 1000 E. Grand for Asbestos Abatement and the GSE/Capitol Complex electrical distribution upgrade.

There were several questions about the asbestos abatement at 1000 E. Grand. Les Holland asked what kind of pressures DAS is getting from the outside to get the abatement done.

Terrace Hill:

No one was present to present for Terrace Hill but they did submit requests so Dean Ibsen discussed the two submissions; the first was for Terrace Hill maintenance and the second was funding for painting and a geothermal system.

Vertical Infrastructure: Dean Ibsen

Dean Ibsen said he wasn't sure what was happening with the bonding but said that the number one priorities for Vertical Infrastructure were again the \$40 million in Major Maintenance and the \$20 million on Routine Maintenance.

Iowa Workforce Development: Requests were combined with DAS

Alcoholic Beverages Division: None

Vocational Rehabilitation: None

Department of Human Services: Dean Ibsen

Dean Ibsen briefly reviewed the Human Services requests (see FY2010 Infrastructure Budget offers and 5-Year Plans for Selected Agencies).

Discussion on Prioritization

Dean Ibsen discussed some of the projects that may not be items the Vertical Infrastructure Advisory Committee should be looking at. He said that the Kimball Organ and the Historic Preservation projects from the Department of Cultural Affairs may be examples of some that aren't topical to VIAC. He also brought up the IPTV project where they want to purchase a building they are currently leasing. He said he would contact Kris Houston and ask what type of savings they would be making if they bought the building.

Dean Ibsen also explained that it is up to the agencies to submit requests to the Department of Management.

Consent Calendar

There were no requests for additional funding but there were 3 items. Terry Slinde moved for approval of the 3 items as a block. Eve Palmer Seconded. The motion passed.

Other Business

Questions and Comments: Les Holland wanted to know how VIAC and DAS shape up to other agencies and if they get similar amounts. He asked Pat Mullenbach, who was present on behalf of DAS Finance, to do some research and see what the numbers are.

Upcoming meetings: Eldora State Training School on November 13th, 2008.

Adjourn

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