

# EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

Teleconference Only Monday, November 03, 2025 at 10:00 AM

### **AGENDA**

#### MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Hon. Kim Reynolds | Governor
Hon. Paul D. Pate | Secretary of State
Hon. Rob Sand | Auditor of State
Hon. Roby Smith | Treasurer of State
Hon. Mike Naig | Secretary of Agriculture

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#### 1. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of the minutes from the Executive Council meeting held on October 6, 2025.

### 2. Personal Appearances

- A. Dennis Harper, Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, will be present to request Resolution for Funds in the amount of \$4,795.00 for SFY26 Disaster Case Advocacy training pursuant to Iowa Code 29C.20B.
- B. Dennis Harper, Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department, will be present to request a resolution of additional funds in the amount of \$624,680.00 pursuant to Iowa Code \$29C.20A and Iowa Code \$29C.20B with regard to the Governor's Proclamations of a State of Disaster Emergency for Buena Vista, Cerro Gordo, Clay, Dickinson, Hancock, Lyon, O'Brien, Osceola, Palo Alto, Plymouth, Scott, Sioux and Worth Counties.

Mr. Harper is also requesting a resolution of funds in the amount of \$263,950.00 pursuant to Iowa Code \$29C.20A and Iowa Code \$29C.20B with regard to the Governor's Proclamation of a State of Disaster Emergency for Chickasaw, Winnebago and Winneshiek Counties.

### 3. Iowa Code §7D.10

A. Attorney General's office requests Payment for Expenses under Iowa Code §7D.10 in the amount of \$38,522.00.

#### 4. Special Counsel

A. The Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office, requests retention of special counsel pursuant to Iowa Code section 13.7 to represent the State with respect to investigations into and possible litigation of certain business practices of several major pharmaceutical companies and pharmacy benefit managers (collectively, the "Insulin Targets") regarding the provision and pricing of insulin products.

Firm: Barbour Hurst (who will partner with Liston & Deas PLLC)

1400 Meadowbrook Jackson, MS 39211

Rate: Contingent-fee basis

B. The Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office, requests retention of special counsel pursuant to Iowa Code section 13.7 to provide legal services and representation to Iowa with respect to an investigation into and possible litigation of certain business practices of Roblox Corporation (Roblox).

Firm: Holtzman Vogel Baran Torchinsky & Josefiak PLLC (Holtzman Vogel)

2300 N Street, Ste 643 Washington DC 20037

Rate: Contingent-fee basis

# 5. Emergency Allocations

A. Iowa Communications Network is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$38,591.60. On June 26, 2025, excessive erosion caused exposed warning tape and shallow cable at a culvert along Neon Road in Fayette County. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation, subject to audit of actual invoices and supporting documentation and demonstration that no costs covered by the maintenance contract have been included.

B. Department of Natural Resources is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$11,614.00. On September 2, 2025, Bellevue State Park was damaged by fallen tree branch. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

C. Department of Natural Resources is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$665,713.00. On August 4, 2025, Lewis & Clark State Park had damaged and dead trees due to drought conditions. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

D. Department of Natural Resources is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$246,273.75. On July 29, 2025, McIntosh Woods State Park was damaged by high winds from a storm. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

E. Department of Natural Resources is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$9,991.00. On August 13, 2025, Wapsipinicon River Bank at Wapsipinicon State Park was damaged by high water. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

F. Department of Natural Resources is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$12,195.72. On July 29, 2025, a tree fell on a maintenance shed at Wildcat Den State Park due to high wind event. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

G. Department of Natural Resources is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$35,650.00. On August 11, 2025, Wildcat Den State Park was damaged by high water. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

H. Department of Public Safety is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$16,500.00. On August 18, 2025, the microwave system at the ISICS Atlantic Tower was damaged by lightning strike. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

I. Department of Public Safety is requesting a supplemental emergency allocation in the amount of \$30,000.00. This brings the total allocation to \$39,500.00. On September 15, 2025, the radome cover on KTIN Bradgate ISICS Tower was damaged by severe storms. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

J. Department of Public Safety is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$9,500.00. On September 15, 2025, the radome cover on KTIN Bradgate ISICS Tower was damaged by severe storms. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

K. Department of Public Safety is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$14,500.00. On August 18, 2025, the microwave system at ISICS Lourdes Tower was damaged by lightning strike. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

L. Department of Administrative Services is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$2,823.52. On September 29, 2025, Vehicle #39 was damaged by a deer. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

M. Department of Administrative Services is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$2,152.30. On September 18, 2025, Vehicle #81 was damaged by a raccoon. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

N. Department of Administrative Services is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$2,346.70. On September 30, 2025, Vehicle #186 was damaged by a raccoon. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

O. Department of Administrative Services is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$3,019.10. On October 2, 2025, Vehicle #299 was damaged by a deer. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

P. Department of Administrative Services is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$3,530.86. On September 14, 2025, Vehicle #320 was damaged by a deer. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

Q. Department of Administrative Services is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$3,607.25. On September 22, 2025, Vehicle #363 was damaged by hail. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

R. Department of Administrative Services is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$21,633.88. On October 13, 2025, Vehicle #484 was damaged by a deer. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

S. Department of Administrative Services is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$4,080.31. On September 29, 2025, Vehicle #1079 was damaged by fire. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

T. Department of Administrative Services is requesting an emergency allocation in the amount of \$3,758.83. On September 16, 2025, Vehicle #105552 was damaged by hail. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation subject to audit of actual invoices.

U. Department of Administrative Services is requesting a supplemental emergency allocation in the amount of \$3,114.23. This brings the total allocation to \$15,074.01. On July 12, 2025, Vehicle #374 was damaged by flooding. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation and payment. This represents full and final payment and this allocation will be closed.

V. Department of Administrative Services is requesting a supplemental emergency allocation in the amount of \$1,094.15. This brings the total allocation to \$6,429.51. On August 21, 2025, Vehicle #1034 was damaged by a deer. Request is to cover repair costs.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends allocation and payment. This represents full and final payment and this allocation will be closed.

### 6. Payment of Cost Items

Drainage Assessments Pursuant to Iowa Code Section 468.43:

\$759.00 Cerro Gordo County

Kevin Protzmann, Assistant Attorney General, has reviewed this request and recommends payment.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends payment. This represents full and final payment, \$66.20 will be reverted and this allocation closed.

The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends payment. This represents full and final payment.

On September 2, 2025, Vehicle #1623 was damaged by a deer. Request is to cover repair costs. The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends payment. This represents full and final payment, \$34.66 will be reverted and this allocation closed. E. Department of Public Safety ......\$9,500.00 On July 28, 2025, Sioux ISICS Communication Tower was damaged by severe weather/ Derecho. Request is to cover repair costs. The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends payment. This represents full and final payment, \$13,000.00 will be reverted and this allocation closed. F. Department of Public Safety ......\$9,500.00 On June 23, 2025, Radome Cover on Woodward ISICS Communication Tower was damaged due to strong winds. Request is to cover repair costs. The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends payment. This represents full and final payment. G. Department of Public Safety.....\$19,000.00 On August 14, 2025, Iowa Falls and Madison ISICS Communication Tower were damaged due to severe storms. Request is to cover repair costs. The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends payment. This represents full and final payment. On August 15, 2025, Webster ISICS Communication Tower was damaged due to severe storms. Request is to cover repair costs. The State Auditor's Office has reviewed this request and recommends payment. This represents full and final payment. Dentons Davis Brown Law Firm. \$2,964.00 The Davis Brown Tower 215 10th Street, Suite 1300 Des Moines, IA 50309 WARF Option Agreement - Department of Transportation Steven Blankinship, Chief Deputy Attorney General, has reviewed this invoice and recommends payment. Payment will be made from the Department of Transportation. J. Dentons Davis Brown Law Firm. \$1,201.50 The Davis Brown Tower 215 10th Street, Suite 1300 Des Moines, IA 50309 Special Counsel Dentons Davis Brown Unclaimed Property Fund Steve Blankinship, Chief Deputy Attorney General, has reviewed this invoice and recommends payment. Payment will be made from the Unclaimed Property Fund.

K. Marquess & Hoyer Law Office, P.C.....\$6,000.00 203 W. High Street P.O. Box 51 Toledo, IA 52342 Criminal Prosecution for Meskwaki Settlement Matters Steve Blankinship, Chief Deputy Attorney General, has reviewed this invoice and recommends payment. Payment will be made from the funds of the General Fund. L. Gray Miller Persh, LLP.....\$678.40 2233 Wisconsin Avenue NW Suite 226 Washington, D.C. 20007 Iowa PBS Steve Blankenship, Chief Deputy Attorney General, has reviewed this invoice and recommends payment. Payment will be made from Iowa PBS. M. Dorsey & Whitney LLP......\$13.034.50 801 Grand Avenue Unit 4100 Des Moines, IA 50309 Iowa Utilities Commission Steve Blankinship, Chief Deputy Attorney General, has reviewed this invoice and recommends payment. Payment will be made from Iowa Utilities Commission. N. Patterson Law Firm L.L.P. \$35.00 729 Insurance Exchange Building 505 Fifth Avenue Suite 729 Des Moines, IA 50309-2390 Jennifer Anderson v. Woodward Resource Center and State of Iowa and Second Injury Fund of Iowa Steve Blankinship, Chief Deputy Attorney General, has reviewed this invoice and recommends payment. Payment will be made from the Second Injury Fund. O. Patterson Law Firm L.L.P....\$1,823.00 729 Insurance Exchange Building 505 Fifth Avenue Suite 729 Des Moines, IA 50309-2390 Barnes, Adam v. Iowa State Penitentiary, State of Iowa and Second Injury Fund of Iowa Steve Blankinship, Chief Deputy Attorney General, has reviewed this invoice and recommends payment. Payment will be made from the Second Injury Fund.

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R.	Patterson Law Firm L.L.P
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S.	Patterson Law Firm L.L.P
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T.	Patterson Law Firm L.L.P
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U.	Patterson Law Firm L.L.P
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V.	Patterson Law Firm L.L.P
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W.	Patterson Law Firm L.L.P\$2,546.00 729 Insurance Exchange Building 505 Fifth Avenue Des Moines, IA 50309-2390 Stine, Phillip v. Mt. Pleasant Correctional Facility and State of Iowa and Second Injury Fund
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Χ.	Patterson Law Firm L.L.P
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Y.	Patterson Law Firm L.L.P
	Steve Blankinship, Chief Deputy Attorney General, has reviewed this invoice and recommends payment. Payment will be made from the Second Injury Fund.

# 7. Information Items

A. Schedule of Executive Council Meetings for 2026

MEETING DATE	<u>TIME</u>
January 5, 2026	10:00 a.m.
February 2, 2026	10:00 a.m.
March 2, 2026	10:00 a.m.
April 6, 2026	10:00 a.m.
May 4, 2026	10:00 a.m.
June 1, 2026	10:00 a.m.
July 6, 2026	10:00 a.m.
July 20, 2026	10:00 a.m.
August 3, 2026	10:00 a.m.
August 17, 2026	10:00 a.m.
September 8, 2026 (Tuesday)	10:00 a.m.
October 5, 2026	10:00 a.m.
November 2, 2026	10:00 a.m.
December 7, 2026	10:00 a.m.

- B. The Muscatine Louisa Drainage District made their seventh Contingency Loan payment of \$9,375.00. This loan was approved for \$187,500.00 on June 3, 2019 and is prorated not to exceed twenty years. Total repayment to date: \$65,625.00.
- C. Iowa Legal Aid's written report describing the services it has provided using the awarded funds, the number of individuals to whom it has provided them and the types of matters on which the services were provided.
- D. Status of State Aid (Iowa Code 29C.20) Allocations quarterly update.
- E. Department of Revenue's fourth quarter status update of the Litigation Expense Fund.

# 8. Adjourn Meeting