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INSTITUTIONAL AGREEMENTS, LEASES, AND EASEMENTS

Action Requested: Consider recommending to the Board approval of two permanent easements to the City of Coralville for the benefit of the University of Iowa, subject to approval of the final documents by the Board Office and Attorney General's Office.

Executive Summary: Iowa Code §262.11 requires that certain agreements, leases, and easements be approved by the Board of Regents.

Easement #1 of 2 to the City of Coralville

Benefiting the benefit of the University of Iowa with the Board as Owner:

The University requests permission to enter into a standard, permanent right-of-way and pedestrian trail easement agreement that would enable the City of Coralville to complete the widening of Route 965 adjacent to the University's Research Park (see page 2).

Route 965, which runs through the City of Coralville, has had a significant increase in vehicular traffic over the past decade as residential and commercial neighborhoods in this part of Johnson County have grown. Route 965 to the north and south were widened over the past two years. This final ("middle") section of Route 965 where this easement applies would be completed in 2018.

The road renovation would also allow the extensive Johnson County pedestrian trail system to be enhanced with new trails, away from the road. These road and trail improvements would be a benefit to University faculty, staff, and students.

Easement #2 of 2 to the City of Coralville

Benefiting the University of Iowa with the Board as Owner:

The University requests permission to enter into a standard, permanent right-of-way easement agreement that would enable the City of Coralville to complete the final portion of the First Avenue widening project adjacent to the University's Iowa River Landing property (see page 3).

This roadway has seen a significant increase in vehicular traffic over the past decade with the development of the Iowa River Landing district. The Iowa River Landing district includes a significant UIHC medical office complex and an additional UIHC facility now in the planning and design stages. The road and the exit ramp off Interstate 80 also serve as a main gateway into the central University and UIHC campus. Granting of this easement would benefit patients, visitors, and University employees and students.

The City of Coralville would acquire both easements at no cost. Both easements specify that the City of Coralville would indemnify and hold harmless the Board of Regents, the State of Iowa and their employees, agents, and guests from the negligence of the City while constructing and maintaining the easement areas.

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City of Coralville Easement #1 Map



UNIVERSITY OF IOWA
City of Coralville Easement #2 Map

