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Mrs. Crawford stated that the way the ballot is worded, 95% of the tax collected would provide funding for State project. The remaining 5% would be divided between Missouri Counties to help with their road and bridge expenses. In Adair County's case, the amount is estimated to be approximately \$161,163 each year for 10 years (the length of the sales tax) or 1.6 million dollars over 10 years. This is approximately an increase of 25% over what the County is currently receiving in yearly County Aid Road Trust (CART) funds. The City of Kirksville would receive approximately \$120,204 per year, City of Brashear \$18,630 per year, and the City of Novinger \$31,320 per year. These figures were calculated using a formula provided by MoDOT.

Mr. James asked the Commission what the possibility would be to partner with the State in order to fund the Highway 6 interchange. This would require the County agreeing to relinquish their 5% funding to the State. When asked about the other entities in Adair County, Mr. James said they had spoken briefly with Mari Macomber, City Manager of Kirksville, and there was no intent at this time to ask the smaller entities (Brashear and Novinger) to partner with the State.

Commissioner Adams stated that the County had concerns with money also for road and bridge operations. Commissioner Pickens asked if it would eliminate the use tax that is currently being collected for Adair County which has been ear marked for the County's road and bridge fund. Mr. James said that was not anticipated as there weren't any clauses in the agreement to do that.

The Commission again said that they felt Highway 6 was a higher priority than Highway 11.

Mr. James stated that right-of-way had already been purchased, utilities had already been moved, all environmental studies had been completed, and there was a good start on the design all from the construction of the corridor.

Mr. James then asked if the Commission would be willing to give a statement in support of adding the Highway 6 interchange to the project list for Northeast District and they agreed. He also asked about a commitment on the 5% funding the County would be receiving. Commissioner Adams said they would prefer talking the matter over with Commissioner Thompson before a decision could be made.

Mr. James and Mrs. Crawford said everything would be on a "pay as you go – cash project". The State may need to save their money for a few years in order to begin some of their projects. If Constitutional Amendment 7 passes, it will sunset in 10 years and MoDOT's intention is to put the amendment back on the ballot at that time.

At 9:45 a.m., the Commission met with Lincoln Keen, Senior Materials Inspector, and Ron Watts, District Design Liaison, both from MoDOT and Isaiah Curtis, Adair County Road and Bridge Supervisor.

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ATTEST:

County Clerk

Presiding Commissioner