



Appendix B: Additional Stormwater Incentives

The City Council of Marion recognizes that the handling and treatment of stormwater serves a public purpose. It is further recognized that stormwater management facilities and practices that exceed the requirements of local and state codes provide broad benefit to the local and regional watershed. For new construction projects that meet the criteria in this policy to receive public assistance, an additional “bonus” incentive may be made available for the construction of infrastructure or the implementation of best management practices that exceed code requirements. The determination of whether or not the improvements exceed requirements shall be made by the City of Marion.

A qualifying project is eligible an amount equal to a 1 year 100% rebate or the cost of the identified improvements, whichever is less. This is in addition to any incentive offering resulting from the project review process. The incentive shall be provided as a forgivable loan with a 5 year term. Five years after the completion of the project, the city will inspect the facilities to ensure that the infrastructure is being maintained and/or the best management practices are still be utilized. Upon certification from the city inspection, the loan will be forgiven. In the event that it is found that the infrastructure is not being maintained or the practices not being followed, the incentive will be repaid to the city within 60 days of the inspection.



Appendix C: Additional Qualifying Factors

The City of Marion recognizes that the business community is an important contributor to the attractiveness of the city as a place to thrive. This economic development policy is intended to further that objective by creating an unparalleled business environment. To achieve that goal, the city seeks to ensure that Marion businesses share the community's vision and culture, as exemplified in Marion's Mission, Vision, and Values statement below:

OUR MISSION

Marion is a progressive city that provides high quality services which promote an active, safe, and healthy environment; it enables the community to realize the best standard of living possible through cost-effective governance.

OUR VISION

To accomplish this mission, city government is committed to provide citizens with:

- A safe and clean community
- Efficient and effective quality city services.
- Infrastructure of adequate capacity to accommodate present and future needs.
- Diverse opportunities for recreational, cultural and economic development.
- A well-managed and fiscally sound community.

OUR VALUES

In all respects, city government is dedicated to accomplishing its mission through:

- Professionalism
- Pride
- Service
- Fairness
- Accountability

The City's Mission, Vision, and Values are further exemplified in the Strategic Plan goals. Projects must be able to demonstrate that they support or align with one or more of the following strategic initiatives:

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- Become Zero Waste and Energy Independent
- Lead Planned Growth
- Redevelop the Central Corridor into a Vibrant City Center
- Implement Higher Design Standards
- Improve the Transportation System, including the Trail System



In furtherance of these values, the city reserves the right to conduct background checks on any business entity applying for assistance, including background checks on individuals affiliated with the business entity. It shall be the policy of the City of Marion that any business that is actively pursuing or has threatened and/or filed litigation against the City of Marion within the last ten years shall be ineligible for assistance. This shall apply even if litigation was filed and subsequently withdrawn. Further, any business that is currently the subject of a lawsuit by another community in Iowa or another state shall be ineligible for assistance. This provision shall render the project ineligible whether the circumstances apply to the business entity itself, affiliated companies under common ownership, or individuals associated with the company. Business entities in default of a judgement or debt to another community in Iowa or any other state shall also be ineligible for assistance.