The past 5 years have focused on planning, design, and coordination with Federal agencies to obtain permitting for the project. The next 5 years will focus on right-of-way (Land) acquisition and construction. It is likely construction will begin at the existing roundabout at Alburnett Road and Tower Terrace Road, and continue west, in stages, from the Spring of 2021 through 2024.

Project Budget: $13,400,000 (Total Project Cost)
These costs include construction, right-of-way, engineering, environmental work, administration, construction of public utilities (water and sewer), and other miscellaneous costs. The project includes $8,100,000 in Federal Aid Swap funds, administered through the Iowa DOT, which covers about 60% of the total project costs.

Quick Project Facts:
- Length: Overall – 7,900 feet (1.5 miles); 1,350’ Summerset Avenue to C Avenue; 6,550’ from C Avenue to Alburnett Road
- Planned Speed Limit: 35 mph to 40 mph
- Planning Area: West of C Avenue – This section will be constructed in concert with local development. At this time, the property owners have indicated they have no immediate plans for development.
- Construction Area: C Avenue to Alburnett Road
- Next Steps: Right-of-way acquisition to begin in early 2020.
- Future Public Meetings: After right-of-way acquisition is complete, and the plans are draft final, we will come back to the public with more detail on the project. Likely late 2020 or early 2021 (before construction begins).
PROJECT INFORMATION:

Overview:
A public meeting was held for this project in March of 2015. Since that time, the plans and concepts have been revised and updated based on stakeholder (both public and private) feedback. The intent of today’s meeting is:

- Update the public on the latest plan concept
- Obtain feedback on the plan
- Kickoff the land acquisition process for the project

Project Description:
This project will plan for Tower Terrace Road from Summerset Avenue NE to C Avenue NE and construct Tower Terrace Road from C Avenue NE to Alburnett Road. Tower Terrace Road will look very similar to the already constructed sections in Marion, just east of Alburnett Road:

- One through traffic lane in each direction
- Left turn lanes at the major intersections
- Roundabouts at some intersections

Bicycle and pedestrian facilities will include bicycle lanes and 10’ wide trails on both sides of Tower Terrace Road. Plantings will include trees between the trails and curb line, and the medians will be planted with plant species and wildflowers to encourage the growth of pollinating insects and birds.

Project History:
Tower Terrace Road has been in the planning process since the early 1970s and will connect from a new interchange at I-380 in Hiawatha to Highway 13 in Marion. A corridor management plan was developed in 2010, and updated in 2019, in an effort that included Marion, Cedar Rapids, Robins, Hiawatha, Linn County, and the Iowa DOT. This particular project is one segment closer to achieving the overall connectivity between I-380 and Highway 13.