



Item No. 7  
**MEMO**

**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Roger Wisecup, CPA City Treasurer  
**Date:** 01/08/2024  
**Subject:** Investment Report for Quarter Ending December 31, 2023

**BACKGROUND:**

The purpose of this memorandum is to present a report summarizing the performance of the City of Ames investment portfolio for the quarter ending December 31, 2023. This report covers the period ending December 31, 2023, and presents a summary of the investments on hand at the end of December 2023. The investments are valued at amortized cost; this reflects the same basis that the assets are carried on the financial records of the City. All investments are in compliance with the current Investment Policy.

**COMMENTS:**

The Federal Reserve maintained the federal fund rate at 5.25-5.50 percent in the last quarter. The yield curve is currently inverted, making shorter maturities pay higher interest rates than longer maturities. Future investments will be made at current interest rates with the anticipation that future interest income should increase. Staff will continue to evaluate our current investment strategy, remaining flexible to future investments while the Federal Reserve evaluates the target rate.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

[Quarterly Investment Report December 2023.pdf](#)