

DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL MEETING
City Hall, City Council Chambers
400 Robert D. Ray Drive
Des Moines, Iowa 50309

July 14, 2025
5:00 PM

1. ROLL CALL:
2. APPROVING AGENDA, AS PRESENTED AND/OR, AS AMENDED:
3. APPROVING CONSENT AGENDA * – items 3 through 37:

***Note: These are routine items and will be enacted by one roll call vote without separate discussion unless pursuant to Council rules, Council requests an item be removed to be considered separately.**

LICENSES AND PERMITS

4. [Approving](#) Alcoholic Beverage License Applications for the following:

NEW APPLICATIONS

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| (A) CASEYS #2784 | 4151 MERLE HAY RD | Class E Liquor |
| (B) LA FONDITA | 1600 EUCLID AVE | Class B Retail |
| (C) TIENDA LA CHAPINA | 3800 6TH AVE | Class B Retail |
| (D) V-CLUB | 4029 URBANDALE AVE | Class F Retail |

RENEWAL APPLICATIONS

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| (E) APPLEBEES | 3900 MERLE HAY RD | Class C Liquor |
| (F) APPLEBEES | 6301 SE 14TH ST | Class C Liquor |
| (G) BLANK GOLF COURSE | 711 COUNTY LINE RD | Class C Liquor |
| (H) BOWLERAMA | 1313 E DIEHL AVE | Class C Liquor |
| (I) CONSERVATORY | 315 E 5TH ST 2 | Class C Liquor |
| (J) CONTINENTAL | 407 E 5TH ST | Class C Liquor |
| (K) COPPER CUP | 207 4TH ST | Class C Liquor |
| (L) DES MOINES AMVETS | 2818 5TH AVE | Class F Retail |
| (M) DOUGH CO PIZZA | 2330 UNIVERSITY AVE | Special Class C |
| (N) FRESKO | 909 LOCUST ST | Class C Liquor |
| (O) GRAZIANO BROTHERS | 1601 SOUTH UNION ST | Class B Retail |

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| (P) | HOLIDAY INN | 6111 FLEUR DR | Class C Liquor |
| (Q) | HY VEE FAST & FRESH | 5801 HICKMAN RD | Class E Liquor |
| (R) | JASPER WINERY | 2400 GEORGE FLAGG | Class C Liquor |
| (S) | LA FAVORITA | 1700 E GRAND AVE | Class B Retail |
| (T) | LATIN KING | 2200 HUBBELL AVE | Class C Liquor |
| (U) | NEW DISCOUNT MARKET | 3207 DOUGLAS AVE | Class B Retail |
| (V) | RICHARD O JACOBSON | 3000 E GRAND AVE | Class C Liquor |
| (W) | ROYAL MART | 111 63RD ST | Class E Liquor |
| (X) | SAKARI SUSHI LOUNGE | 2605 INGERSOLL AVE | Class C Liquor |
| (Y) | SMOKIN JOES OUTLET #4 | 2800 E UNIVERSITY AVE | Class E Liquor |
| (Z) | TEQUILA RESTAURANT | 2824 EASTON BLVD | Class C Liquor |
| (AA) | TOP IT OFF | 4530 E 46TH ST | Class C Liquor |
| (BB) | WAVELAND GOLF COURSE | 4908 UNIVERSITY AVE | Class C Liquor |
| (CC) | YOUR BEST FRIENDS BAR | 6218 WILLOWMERE DR | Class C Liquor |

SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATIONS

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| (DD) | APRES BAR CO | 100 LOCUST ST | 5 days |
| CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR AN EVENT ON JULY 26, 2025. | | | |
| (EE) | BIRDS NEST | 3000 E GRAND AVE | 14 days |
| SPECIAL CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE (BEER/WINE) FOR THE IOWA STATE FAIR ON AUGUST 7 - 17, 2025. | | | |
| (FF) | BUBBLY BAR & BISTRO | 3000 E GRAND AVE | 14 days |
| SPECIAL CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE (BEER/WINE) FOR THE IOWA STATE FAIR ON AUGUST 7 - 17, 2025. | | | |
| (GG) | BUD TENT | 3000 E GRAND AVE | 14 days |
| SPECIAL CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE (BEER/WINE) FOR THE IOWA STATE FAIR ON AUGUST 7 - 17, 2025. | | | |
| (HH) | DEPOT | 3000 E GRAND AVE | 14 days |
| SPECIAL CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE (BEER/WINE) FOR THE IOWA STATE FAIR ON AUGUST 7 - 17, 2025. | | | |
| (II) | GIRLS | 666 GRAND AVE | 5 days |
| SPECIAL CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE (BEER/WINE) FOR AN EVENT ON JULY 28, 2025. | | | |
| (JJ) | IOWA CRAFT BEER TENT | 3000 E GRAND AVE | 14 days |
| SPECIAL CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE (BEER/WINE) FOR THE IOWA STATE FAIR ON AUGUST 7 - 17, 2025. | | | |

(WW) SUSAN KNAPP AMPHITHEATER 3000 E GRAND AVE 14 days
SPECIAL CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE (BEER/WINE) FOR THE IOWA STATE
FAIR ON AUGUST 7 - 17, 2025.

(XX) YOUR PRIVATE BAR 400 LOCUST ST 5 days
CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR EVENING OF WINE & WEALTH ON JULY
31, 2025.

OUTDOOR SERVICE APPLICATIONS

(YY) LUA BREWING 1525 HIGH ST Class C Liquor
TEMPORARY FOR AN EVENT ON JULY 26, 2025.

(ZZ) MALO RESTAURANT 900 MULBERRY ST Class C Liquor
TEMPORARY FOR DES MOINES CELEBRATES – A COLLABORATION OF
CREATIVES ON JULY 26, 2025.

5. [City](#) Clerk to issue Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Permits for the following:

NEW APPLICATIONS

(A) LA FONDITA 1600 EUCLID AVE
~~(B) NEW YORK SMOKE AND TOBACCO CORNER 5805 FLEUR DR~~

RENEWAL APPLICATION

(C) MARLEES BOUTIQUE 3516 SW 9TH ST

6. [City](#) Clerk to approve Device Retailer Permit for the following:

RENEWAL APPLICATIONS

(A) 515 SMOKESHOP LLC 2827 EASTON AVE

7. [City](#) Clerk to issue Coin Operated Machine Licenses.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

8. [Ordering](#) construction of Gray's Station Roadway Improvements at SW 16th Street and Tuttle Street: Receiving of bids, (8-5-25) and Setting date of hearing, (9-8-25), Engineer's estimate, \$6,000,000.

[\(Council Communications No. 25-281\)](#)

9. [Approval](#) of contract and bond for construction of an improvement with an estimated cost which is less than the Iowa Code competitive bid threshold - Fort Des Moines Historic Monument Replacement, TNT Tuckpointing and Building Restoration, LLC (Joshua L. Smyser, Owner), \$122,680.

[\(Council Communication No. 25-275\)](#)

10. [Approval](#) of contract and bond for construction of an improvement with an estimated cost which is less than the Iowa Code competitive bid threshold - Principal Park Maintenance Shed Reroof, Titan Roofing and Exteriors, Inc. (Michael Minard, President), \$21,004.67.

[\(Council Communication No. 25-276\)](#)

11. [Designating](#) the lowest responsive, responsible bidder as Iowa Contracting, Inc. (Mark Fargo, President), and approving contract and bond on 2025 Parking Garage Repair Program, \$373,534.

[\(Council Communication No. 25-280\)](#)

12. [Approving](#) Change Order No. 1 with OMG Midwest Inc. d/b/a Des Moines Asphalt & Paving for additional work on 2025 HMA Residential Paving Program Contract 1, \$218,509.60.

[\(Council Communication No. 25-279\)](#)

13. [Accepting](#) completed construction and approving final payment for Aurora Avenue Lane Modifications from Beaver Avenue to Merle Hay Road, InRoads, LLC.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

14. [Levying](#) Assessments for costs of Nuisance Abatement-NAC Emergency Orders (Neighborhood Services), Schedule No. 2025-07.
15. [Levying](#) assessments for fees, fines, penalties, costs and interest imposed in the enforcement of the Neighborhood Inspection Rental Code, Schedule No. 2025-07.
16. [Deletion](#) of rental inspection assessment at 214 Bell Avenue.
17. [Deletion](#) of NAC – Emergency Assessment at 3025 E. Douglas Avenue.

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/NEIGHBORHOODS

18. [Recommendation](#) from Council Member Simonson to reappoint Vince Ward to the Urban Design Review Board, Seat 2, for a term expiring June 30, 2028.
19. [Communication](#) from Emily Westergaard advising of her resignation from the Housing Services Board, Seat 4, effective immediately.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM PLANNING AND ZONING

20. [Regarding](#) City initiated request for vacation of multiple segments of right-of-way in the vicinity of 201 SE 7th Street for purposes of a project to remove the roadways for incorporation into a naturalized detention park on the eastern portion of the Market District.
21. [Regarding](#) City initiated request for vacation of multiple segments of right-of-way in the vicinity of E. 37th Street, Mattern Avenue, and E. Jefferson Avenue for purposes of a project to remove the roadways and restore the area for incorporation into the Lower Fourmile Creek Greenway.
22. [Regarding](#) request from Goliath Properties, LLC (Michael Barkley, Officer) for vacation of approximately 1,434 square feet of an east/west dead end alley right-of-way in the vicinity of 1924 Capitol Avenue, which is within the block bounded by E. 19th Street to the west and the Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way to the east, to allow the vacated area to be assembled and maintained for private use.

SETTING DATE OF HEARINGS

23. [On](#) conveyance of the west half of the vacated north/south alley right-of-way adjoining 2417 E. 23rd Street to William A. Bieghler and Diana M. Bieghler, \$50, (8-4-25).
24. [On](#) conveyance of property interests to Polk County for the Iowa Confluence Water Trails Project, (8-4-25).

LEGAL DEPARTMENT - CLAIM SETTLEMENTS & BILLINGS

25. [Approving](#) payment to Des Moines Water Works for a property damage claim.
26. [Approving](#) payment to Megan Clair for a property damage claim.

APPROVING

27. [First](#) Amendment to Urban Renewal Development Agreement with HOA Aston LLC.
[\(Council Communication No. 25-268\)](#)
28. [Minimum](#) Assessment Agreement for property located at 4347 Merle Hay Road as required for commercial tax abatement.

[\(Council Communication No. 25-267\)](#)

29. [Issuance](#) of Certificate of Completion to 106 SW 7th Street, LLC for Carpenter Paper Warehouse historic renovation at 106 SW 7th Street, a Metro Center Urban Renewal Project.
30. [Donation](#) Agreement and Right of Entry with Plumbers and Steamfitters Local Union 33 for Bill Riley Trail.
31. [Grant](#) Funding Agreement with Youth and Shelter Services, Inc.

[\(Council Communication No. 25-271\)](#)

32. Abatement of public nuisances at the following:
 - (A) [1432](#) Dixon Street.
 - (B) [1537](#) Hutton Street.
33. [Communication](#) from the Greater Des Moines Partnership on behalf of the Botanical Gardens, requesting approval of placement for up to 25 banners to be displayed on banner poles in downtown Des Moines beginning the first week of August 2025.
34. [Des](#) Moines Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget and authorizing payment of FY 2026 Assessment, \$210,381.

[\(Council Communication No. 25-266\)](#)

35. [Purchase](#) from Pigott, Inc. c/o Herman Miller, Inc. (John Stenberg, Owner) of furniture services for the T.M. Franklin Cownie City Administration Building (1200 Locust Street) using Short Form Agreement and State of Iowa Participating Addendum to OMNIA Partners Contract, \$1,170,825.25.

[\(Council Communication No. 25-265\)](#)

36. [Purchase](#) from Pave Grade, LLC (Cole Fenske, Owner) of Hot Mixed Asphalt (HMA) Trail Maintenance for the City of Des Moines for use by the Parks and Recreation Department, not to exceed \$250,000.

[\(Council Communication No. 25-272\)](#)

- 36-I [From](#) the City Council's Personnel Subcommittee (Boesen, Simonson and Voss) to consider receipt and approval of the City Council Personnel Committee's annual review and compensation review for the Council's direct reports.

37. [Authorizing](#) Finance Director to draw checks on registers for the weeks of July 14, 21 and 28, 2025; to draw checks for the bills of the Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency for the weeks of July 14, 21 and 28, 2025; to draw checks for biweekly payroll due on July 25, 2025.

* * * * * END CONSENT AGENDA * * * * *

HEARINGS (OPEN AT 5:00 PM) (ITEMS 38 THRU 48)

38. [On](#) conveyance of City-owned property at 1168 22nd Street to Invest DSM for rehabilitation of housing.

([Council Communication No. 25-269](#))

39. [On](#) conveyance of City-owned property at 1552 23rd Street and 1706 23rd Street to Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity for redevelopment of housing.

([Council Communication No. 25-270](#))

40. [On](#) vacation of segments of Ingersoll Avenue, 6th Avenue, E. Grand Avenue and University Avenue right-of-way and conveyance of Easements for Bus Shelter Encroachment on City-owned property to Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority, \$3,000.

(A) [First](#) consideration of ordinance above.

(B) [Final](#) consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by Keegan Haines), requires six votes.

41. [On](#) vacation of two irregular shaped segments of undeveloped right-of-way located in the vicinity of 6200 Scout Trail and release of the Permanent Easement for Public Right of Way on said property.

(A) [First](#) consideration of ordinance above.

42. [On](#) vacation of SE 14th Court right-of-way located north of E. Edison Avenue.

(A) [First](#) consideration of ordinance above.

43. [On](#) request from Iowa Pacific Processors, Inc. (Mike Everett, Officer) and City of Des Moines to amend PlanDSM Creating Our Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan to revise the future land use classification from Business Park to Industrial and to rezone parcels located in the vicinity of 2606 Sunset Road from “EX” Mixed Use District to Limited “I1” Industrial District to allow expansion of an existing industrial use, **continued from June 30, 2025**.
- (A) [First](#) consideration of ordinance above.
- (B) [Final](#) consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by the applicant), requires six votes.
44. [On](#) request from Angela Brown (Owner) to amend the PlanDSM Creating Our Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan to revise the future land use classification of 1900 Arlington Avenue from Low-Medium Density Residential to High Density Residential, and to rezone the property from “N5” Neighborhood District to “N5-4” Neighborhood District, to allow reuse of the existing structure for multiple-household residential use with up to four (4) dwelling units, **(Choose one alternative below)**.
- (A) Deny
- OR**
- (B) Approve **(requires six votes due to opposition of property owners)**.
- (1) [First](#) consideration of ordinance above.
45. [Closing](#) public hearing on approval of amending the franchise fee in Section 6 heretofore granted to Iowa Power and Light Company, predecessor in interest to MidAmerican Energy Company and increasing the franchise fee pursuant to Iowa Code Sections 364.2(4)(f) and 384.3A(3)(j).
- (A) [First](#) consideration of ordinance above.
46. [Closing](#) public hearing on approval of amending the franchise fee in Section 6 heretofore granted to Midwest Gas Company, predecessor in interest to MidAmerican Energy Company and increasing the franchise fee pursuant to Iowa Code Sections 364.2(4)(f) and 384.3A(3)(j).
- (A) [First](#) consideration of ordinance above.

47. [On](#) 2025 Riverwalk Improvements – Balustrade Replacement: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer’s estimate, and receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsive, responsible bidder as Minturn, Inc. (Clinton M. Rhoads, President), \$232,375.

([Council Communication No. 25-277](#))

(A) [Approving](#) contract and bond.

48. [Reject](#) all bids on Nahas Pool Equipment Replacement and close hearing on the plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and engineer’s estimate.

([Council Communication No. 25-278](#))

*****END HEARINGS AT _____ PM*****

APPROVING II

49. [Receive](#) and file the Des Moines Citywide Housing Strategy with amendments and refer the strategy to the City Manager to direct preparation of individual action items for future Council consideration.

([Council Communication No. 25-273](#))

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

50. Requests to speak as follows:

None at this time.

MOTION TO ADJOURN.

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