 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Council Communication</b> Office of the City Manager</p>	<b>Date:</b> July 23, 2018
	<b>Agenda Item No.</b> 18 <b>Roll Call No.</b> [ _____ ] <b>Communication No.</b> <u>18-373</u> <b>Submitted by:</b> Phillip Delafield, Community Development Director

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Approve expansion of Watrous Heights Neighborhood boundaries in accordance with the Neighborhood Recognition Policy.

**SYNOPSIS:**

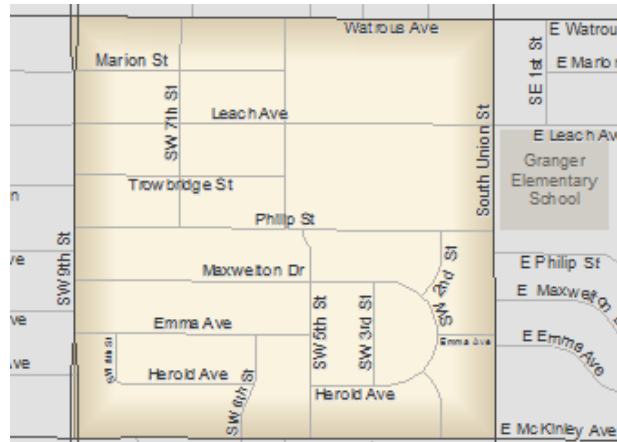
Recommend approval of the proposed boundary expansion of Watrous Heights Neighborhood to the north ¼ section up to Park Avenue.

**FISCAL IMPACT: NONE**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

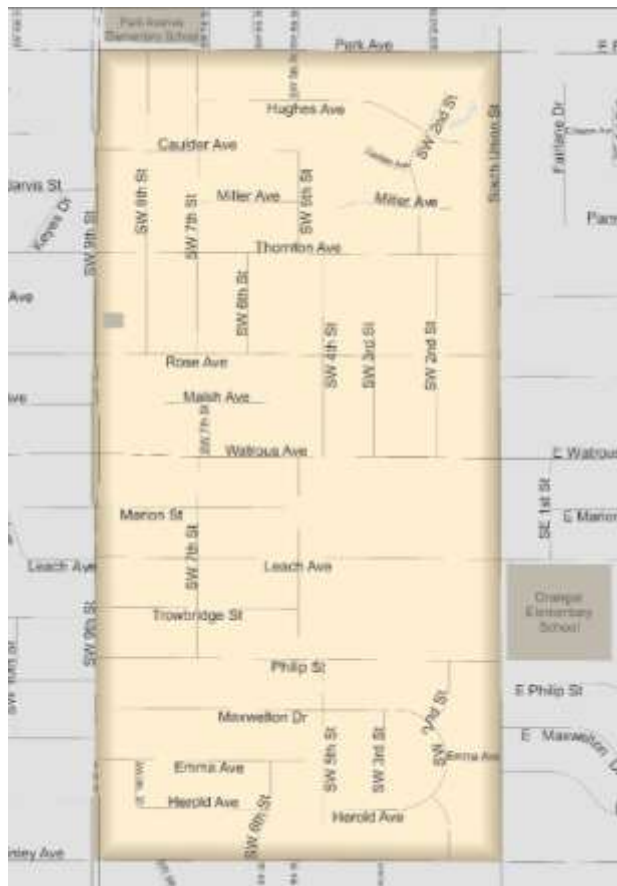
- On August 28, 2017, by Roll Call No. 17-1461, the City Council approved designation of Watrous Heights Neighborhood as a recognized neighborhood for the City of Des Moines.
- Watrous Heights Neighborhood has submitted a request to expand its neighborhood boundaries.
- The boundaries for the existing neighborhood include S. W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street between Watrous Avenue and McKinley Avenue on the west, S. Union Street from Watrous Avenue to McKinley Avenue on the east, Watrous Avenue between S.W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street and S. Union Street on the north, and McKinley Avenue between S.W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street to S. Union Street on the south.
- The boundaries for the proposed expansion include S. W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street between Park Avenue and McKinley Avenue on the west, S. Union Street from Park Avenue to McKinley Avenue on the east, Park Avenue between S.W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street and S. Union Street on the north, and McKinley Avenue between S.W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street to S. Union Street on the south.
- The proposed boundaries match up with the Watrous South and Grays Lake neighborhood to the west, Indianola Hills to the north, Fort Des Moines neighborhood to the south and Magnolia Park neighborhood to the east.

- Existing neighborhood boundary –



North: Watrous Avenue  
South: McKinley Avenue  
East: South Union Street  
West: SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street

- Proposed neighborhood boundary –



North: Park Ave  
South: McKinley Ave  
East: South Union Street  
West: SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: August 28, 2017

Roll Call Number: [17-1461](#)

Action: [Recognition](#) of Watrous Heights Neighborhood Association in accordance with the Neighborhood Recognition Policy. ([Council Communication No. 17-607](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):**

Board: Neighborhood Revitalization Board

Date: July 11, 2018

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: Forward a recommendation to City Council to expand boundaries of Watrous Heights Neighborhood as proposed, in accordance with the Neighborhood Recognition Policy.

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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