


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	26-039	Meeting:	February 9, 2026
	Agenda Item:	9A	Roll Call:	26-0153
	Submitted by:	Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer		

AGENDA HEADING:

Ordering construction of the following: 2026 Citywide Sidewalk and Pedestrian Ramp Replacement Program - Receiving bids, (2-24-26), and Setting date of hearing, (3-23-26). (Construction Estimate - \$600,000).

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend the City Council order construction of the improvement and set dates to receive bids and hold a public hearing, as required by Iowa Code, utilizing the method of financing referenced below. This project provides for a citywide program to replace deteriorated City sidewalks, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant sidewalk ramps, sidewalks damaged by City activities or by City trees in the public right-of-way, and sidewalks for residents that qualify for the City's special assessment subsidy program.

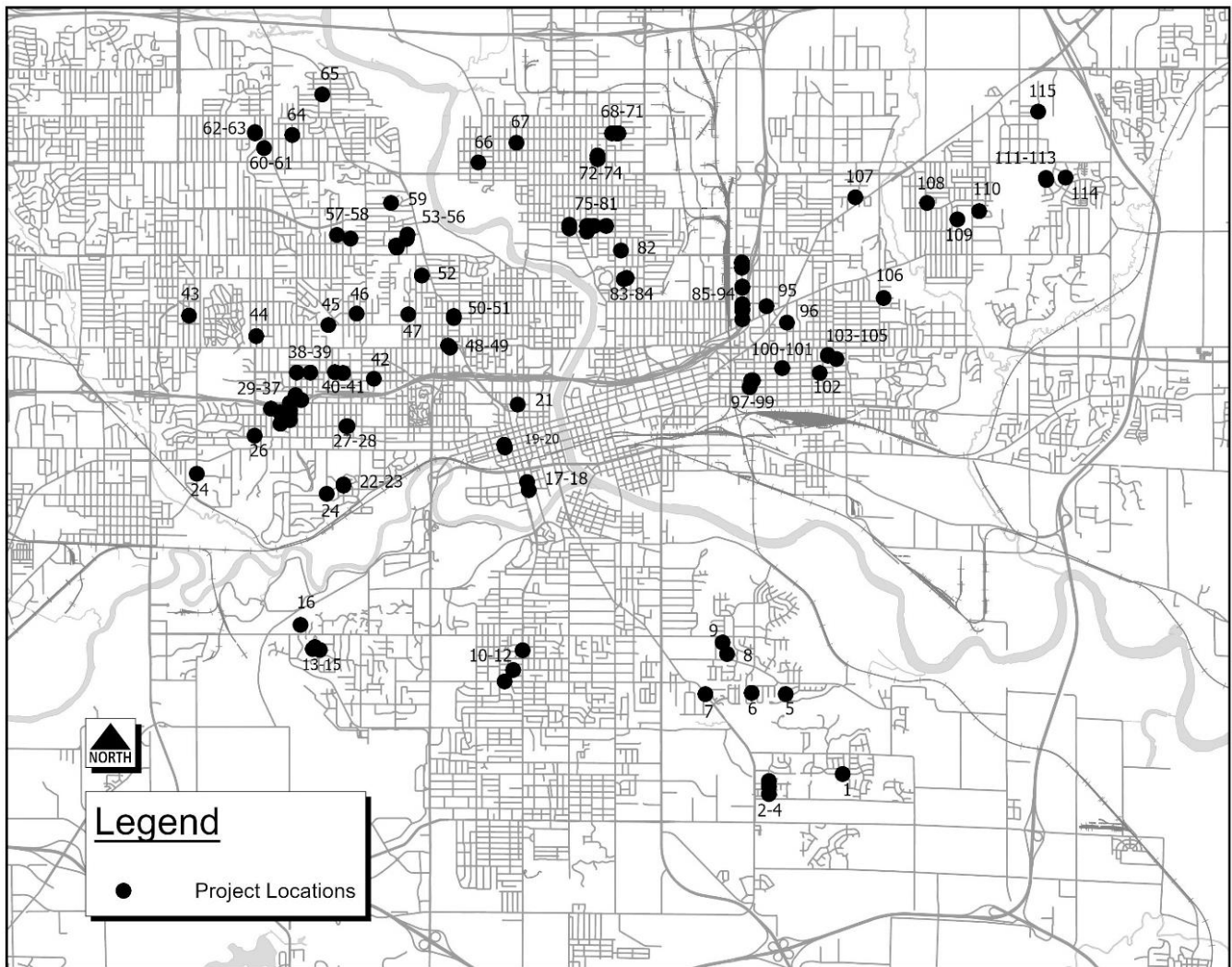
FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$600,000 City Engineer's Estimate

Funding Source: 2025-26 CIP, Page 168, Sidewalk Replacement, SW084

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The Engineering Department has prepared plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the 2026 Citywide Sidewalk and Pedestrian Ramp Replacement Program, Activity ID 09-2026-001. The improvement includes reconstruction of brick sidewalks, Class A and Class B Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) sidewalks of varying thickness including all appurtenances, and PCC ADA-compliant curb ramps, all in accordance with the contract documents at various locations directed by the City Engineer.
- One hundred fifteen (115) locations have been identified for sidewalk or ramp replacement as part of this project and are identified in the figure below.
- The estimated construction cost is \$600,000. The proposed plans, specifications, and form of contract documents are available for public inspection in the Des Moines City Engineer's Office.
- This project is anticipated to begin in spring 2026 and be completed by winter 2026.



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

- Anticipated actions include public hearing, receive and file bids, designate lowest bidder, and approve contract and bond; also partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.

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