COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

CITY OF DES MOINES CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE	Number:	**26-095**	Meeting:	**March 9, 2026**
	Agenda Item:	**16**	Roll Call:	**26-0300**
	Submitted by:	**Carrie Kruse, Economic Development Administrator**		

AGENDA HEADING:

Set date of public hearing on the proposed Sixth Amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan for the Oak Park – Highland Park Urban Renewal Area.

SYNOPSIS:

This roll calls sets the date of public hearing on the proposed Sixth Amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan for the Oak Park – Highland Park Urban Renewal Area for the April 20, 2026, City Council meeting and authorizes the required consultation meeting with representatives from Polk County, Des Moines Public Schools, Des Moines Area Community College, and Des Moines Area Regional Transit.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

There is no direct fiscal impact with the approval of the Sixth Amendment. The activities and projects that may be assisted by this urban renewal plan and tax increment revenues are now listed in the plan text and are subject to separate City Council action.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The purpose of this Sixth Amendment to the Oak Park – Highland Park Urban Renewal Plan is to:
    - Amend and replace Section I. Introduction, subsection B – Purpose of the Urban Renewal Plan to include acquisition and disposition of property for redevelopment.
    - Amend and replace Section III, Urban Renewal Plan Elements, subsection A – Plan Goals and Objectives to add acquisition and disposition of real estate.
    - Amend and replace Section IV – Urban Renewal Plan Implementation, subsection C(2) – Funding and Financing: Economic Development Assistance, to add acquisition and disposition of real estate for reinvestment, renovation, and redevelopment opportunities.
    - Amend and update Appendix B - Financial Condition Report to reflect projects' projected assessments, incentive obligations, and planned expenses.
    - Add Map 5 – Acquisition Parcels, as an Attachment
    - Add Map 6 – Disposition Parcels, as an Attachment

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: November 17, 2025

Roll Call Number: 25-1562

Action: On the proposed Fifth Amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan for the Oak Park – Highland Park Urban Renewal Area. (Council Communication No. 25-432) Moved by Westergaard to adopt. Second by Simonson. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Urban Design Review Board

Date: November 4, 2025

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: Motion to recommend approval of the plan amendment as presented by Burnham. Seconded by Sellers. Motion carried. Yes = 8, No = 0, Abstain = 0, Absent = 2.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

- Urban Design Review Board
- Taxing Entities Consultation Meeting
- Hold – Hearing – City Council Meeting

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