


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	26-150	Meeting:	April 20, 2026
	Agenda Item:	39	Roll Call:	26-0523
	Submitted by:	Carrie Kruse, Economic Development Administrator		

AGENDA HEADING:

Hold 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 opens and closes the public hearing on the proposed Sixth Amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan for the Oak Park – Highland Park Urban Renewal Area. The required consultation meeting with representatives from Polk County, Des Moines Public Schools, Des Moines Area Community College, and Des Moines Area Regional Transit was held on March 19, 2026, and no comments have been received.

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: March 9, 2026

Roll Call Number: [26-0300](#)

Action: [On](#) the proposed Sixth Amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan for the Oak Park-Highland Park Urban Renewal Area, (4-20-26). ([Council Communication No. 26-095](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Urban Design Review Board

Date: March 24, 2026

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: Motion to recommend approval of the plan amendment as presented by Clark. Seconded by Burnham. Motion carried. Yes = 10, No = 0, Abstain = 0, Absent = 1.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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