

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	26-222	Meeting:	June 29, 2026
	Agenda Item:	20	Roll Call:	26-0735
	Submitted by:	Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer		

AGENDA HEADING:

Authorization to proceed with acquisition of the necessary property interests for the 2027 Neighborhood Sidewalk Program by gift, negotiation, or eminent domain.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of authorization to proceed with acquisition of the necessary property interests for the 2027 Neighborhood Sidewalk Program by gift, negotiation, or eminent domain. This action is required by Iowa law before the City can initiate the property acquisition process for this project under eminent domain. Relocation assistance will not be required for this project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

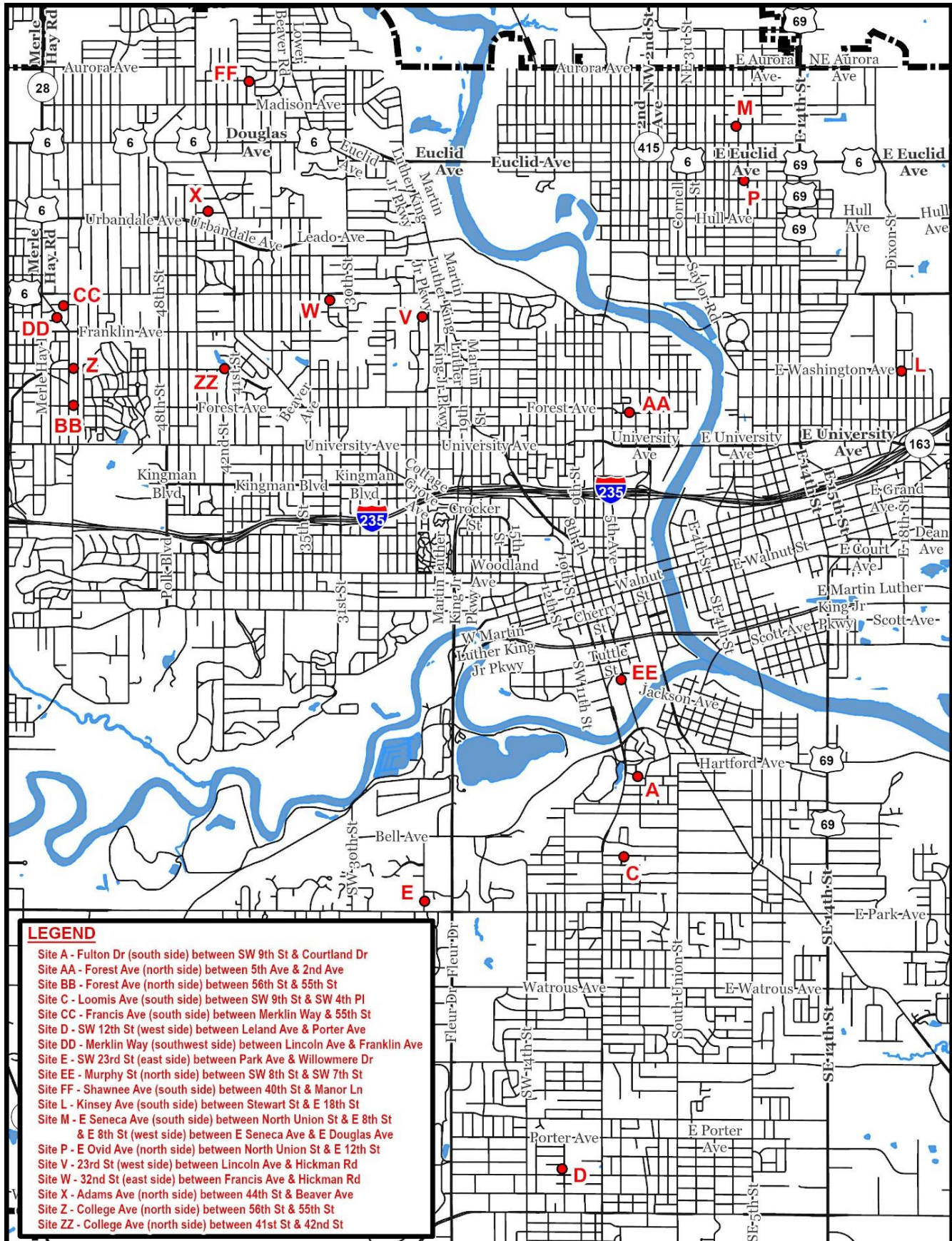
Amount: To be determined after final design is completed.

Funding Source: 2026-27 CIP, Page 164, Sidewalks – School and Priority Routes, SW081

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The City's Neighborhood Sidewalk Program involves constructing new sidewalks to fill sidewalk gaps in the city. The initial priority for recommended improvements is along existing school recommended walk routes, proximity to schools, bus stops and commercial nodes, and/or providing connectivity for long segments of sidewalks.
- The 2027 Neighborhood Sidewalk Program public improvement project includes sidewalk improvements at the following locations:
 - Site A – Fulton Drive (south side) between Southwest 9th Street and Courtland Drive
 - Site AA – Forest Avenue (north side) between 5th Avenue and 2nd Avenue
 - Site BB – Forest Avenue (north side) between 56th Street and 55th Street
 - Site C – Loomis Avenue (south side) between Southwest 9th Street and Southwest 4th Place
 - Site CC – Francis Avenue (south side) between Merklin Way and 55th Street
 - Site D – Southwest 12th Street (west side) between Leland Avenue and Porter Avenue
 - Site DD – Merklin Way (southwest side) between Lincoln Avenue and Franklin Avenue

- Site E – Southwest 23rd Street (east side) between Park Avenue and Willowmere Drive
 - Site EE – Murphy Street (north side) between Southwest 8th Street and Southwest 7th Street
 - Site FF – Shawnee Avenue (south side) between 40th Street and Manor Lane
 - Site L – Kinsey Avenue (south side) between Stewart Street and East 18th Street
 - Site M – E. Seneca Avenue (south side) between North Union Street and East 8th Street and East 8th Street (west side) between East Seneca Avenue and East Douglas Avenue
 - Site P – East Ovid Avenue (north side) between North Union Street and East 12th Street
 - Site V – 23rd Street (west side) between Lincoln Avenue and Hickman Road
 - Site W – 32nd Street (east side) between Francis Avenue and Hickman Road
 - Site X – Adams Avenue (north side) between 44th Street and Beaver Avenue
 - Site Z – College Avenue (north side) between 56th Street and 55th Street
 - Site ZZ – College Avenue (north side) between 41st Street and 42nd Street
- The property interests needed for this project will be determined during preliminary design and will generally consist of minor temporary construction easements and small partial fee acquisitions with minimal acquisition costs.



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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