



### \*\*\* DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL MEETING REPORT \*\*\*

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### SUMMARY OF DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Hall, City Council Chambers

400 Robert D. Ray Drive  
Des Moines, Iowa 50309

**January 26, 2026**  
**5:00 PM**

### **PROCLAMATIONS – 4:40 PM**

Human Trafficking Prevention and Awareness Month

### **PRESENTATIONS**

National Championship Recognition to Grand View University Football

National Championship Recognition to Grand View University Soccer

26-0086      1. ROLL CALL: Present: **Boesen, Simonson, Voss, Barron, Westergaard, Mandelbaum and Gatto.**

26-0087      2. APPROVING AGENDA, AS PRESENTED AND/OR, AS AMENDED: **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0088

3. APPROVING CONSENT AGENDA \* – items 3 through 29: **Moved by Gatto to adopt the balance of the Consent Agenda. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

**\*Note: These are routine items and will be enacted by one roll call vote without separate discussion unless pursuant to Council rules, Council requests an item be removed to be considered separately.**

## LICENSES AND PERMITS

26-0089

4. Approving Alcoholic Beverage License Applications for the following: **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

<b>NEW APPLICATION</b>		
(A) FLYING MANGO	4345 HICKMAN RD	Class C Liquor
<b>RENEWAL APPLICATIONS</b>		
(B) ALBA RESTAURANT	519 DES MOINES	Class C Liquor
(C) APOSTO	644 18TH ST	Class C Liquor
(D) CASH SAVER #33	1320 E EUCLID AVE	Class E Liquor
(E) CHELSIES COURTYARD	300 W MLK JR PKWY	Class C Liquor
(F) FLYING MANGO	4345 HICKMAN RD	Class C Liquor
(G) GIT N GO STORE #23	2930 HICKMAN RD	Class B Retail
(H) HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS	333 SW 11TH ST	Class B Retail
(I) INDIA STAR	5514 DOUGLAS AVE	Special Class C
(J) IOWA TAPROOM	215 E 3RD ST #100	Class C Liquor
(K) LA PREMIUM	1434 DES MOINES ST	Special Class C
(L) MAD MEATBALL	210 SW 11TH ST	Class C Liquor
(M) MAGGIES RUMBLE ROOM	1430 2ND AVE	Class C Liquor
(N) MARIANAS	1305 UNIVERSITY AVE	Special Class C
(O) PALMERS DELI	2843 INGERSOLL AVE	Class C Liquor
(P) PUEBLO VIEJO	3841 E 14TH ST	Class C Liquor
(Q) QUINTONS BAR & GRILL	506 E GRAND AVE	Class C Liquor
(R) SNAKE PIT LOUNGE	3100 MCKINLEY AVE	Class F Retail
(S) STAYBRIDGE SUITES	201 E LOCUST ST	Class B Retail
(T) TARGET STORE T-2041	5901 DOUGLAS AVE	Class E Liquor
(U) VARIED INDUSTRIES	3000 E GRAND AVE #53	Special Class C

## SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATIONS

(V) APRES BAR CO	100 LOCUST ST	5 days
CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR AN EVENT ON FEBRUARY 14, 2026.		
(W) APRES BAR CO	100 LOCUST ST	5 days
CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR FRANCE DINNER PARTY ON JANUARY 31, 2026.		

(X) APRES BAR CO 100 LOCUST ST 5 days  
CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR CANDLELIGHT CONCERT ON FEBRUARY 3, 2026

(Y) APRES BAR CO 519 PARK ST 5 days  
CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR CANDLELIGHT CONCERT ON FEBRUARY 14, 2026.

(Z) GREAT CATERERS OF IA 3000 E GRAND AVE 5 days  
CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR AN AWARDS CEREMONY ON FEBRUARY 6, 2026.

26-0090 5. City Clerk to issue Coin Operated Machine Licenses. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

## PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

6. Ordering construction of the following:

26-0091 (A) 2026 Citywide PCC Pavement Patching Program: Receiving of bids, (2-10-26) and Setting date of hearing, (3-9-26), Engineer's estimate, \$2,030,000. (Council Communication No. 26-024) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0092 (B) Beaver Avenue Resurfacing from Franklin Avenue to Douglas Avenue: Receiving of bids, (2-10-26) and Setting date of hearing, (3-9-26), Engineer's estimate, \$920,000. (Council Communication No. 26-025) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0093 (C) Hickman Road Resurfacing from Merle Hay Road to Beaver Avenue: Receiving of bids, (2-10-26) and Setting date of hearing, (3-9-26), Engineer's estimate, \$1,500,000. (Council Communication No. 26-026) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0094 7. Approval of contract and bond with All Iowa Mechanical, LLC (James Vigon, CEO) for construction of public improvement with estimated cost below Iowa Code competitive bid threshold, Skywalk 4F HVAC Relocation, \$105,500. (Council Communication No. 26-021) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0095 8. Approving and authorizing the execution of Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) Addendum for the Central Place Trail Phase II Project. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

9. Items regarding Birdland Park Phase 1A Improvements:

[26-0096](#)

(A) Ordering construction of Birdland Park Phase 1A Improvements and fixing date for receiving bids, (2-10-26) and setting date of hearing on (3-9-26); Engineer's estimate is \$3,700,000. ([Council Communication No. 26-020](#)) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0097](#)

(B) Approving and authorizing the execution of the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) agreement for the reconstruction of Neal Smith Trail as part of the Birdland Park Phase 1A Improvements project. ([Council Communication No. 26-022](#)) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0098](#)

(C) Approving and authorizing execution of Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP) grant agreement for the Birdland Park Master Plan - Phase 1A Improvements. ([Council Communication No. 26-023](#)) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

10. Accepting completed construction and approving final payment for the following:

[26-0099](#)

(A) 41<sup>st</sup> Street and Beaver Avenue Intersection Improvements, InRoads, LLC. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0100](#)

(B) Porter Avenue Improvements from SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street to South Union Street, TK Concrete, Inc. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0101](#)

(C) Stone Park Improvements, Caliber Concrete, LLC. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

## SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

[26-0102](#)

11. Levying Assessments for costs of Nuisance Abatement-NAC Emergency Orders (Neighborhood Services), Schedule No. 2026-01. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

12. Deletion of NAC – Emergency Assessments at the following:

[26-0103](#)

(A) 3900 11<sup>th</sup> Place. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0104](#)

(B) 2300 SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

## LAND/PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

[26-0105](#)

13. Releasing PUD Restoration Bond for Gray's Station Plat 5. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0106](#) 14. Releasing subdivision bond for Woods on the River Plat 11. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

## BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/NEIGHBORHOODS

[26-0107](#) 15. Authorize and appoint Major David Ness and Superintendent of Technical Services Michele Bischof as the primary members and Bradley Button and Fire Chief Jonathan Lund as alternate members to the Joint 911 Service Board. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

16. Recommendation from Mayor Boesen to appoint the following:

[26-0108](#) (A) Tiffany Allison to the Civil Service Commission, Seat 1, with a term expiring April 3, 2028. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0109](#) (B) Cory McAnelly to the Civil Service Commission, Seat 6, with a term expiring April 5, 2027. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0110](#) 17. Communication from Frederick Gaddy advising of his resignation from the Housing Services Board, Seat 1, effective immediately. **Moved by Gatto to receive, file and accept resignation with appreciation for his service. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

## SETTING DATE OF HEARINGS

[26-0111](#) 18. On request from Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity, Inc (Ryan Doyle, Officer) for two (2) parcels in the vicinity of 1530 Arlington Avenue, to rezone the property from "N5" Neighborhood District to "N5-2" Neighborhood District, to allow subdivision of the property for construction of three (3) two-household buildings (duplexes), with a total of six (6) residential dwelling units, (2-9-26). **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

## LEGAL DEPARTMENT - CLAIM SETTLEMENTS & BILLINGS

[26-0112](#) 19. Approving settlement of Bryan Nelson's Workers' Compensation claims. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0113](#) 20. Approving payment to Lillie Parker. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

## CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

[26-0114](#) 21. Submitting travel and training request for Mayor Connie Boesen. (Council Communication No. 26-030) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

## APPROVING

26-0115 22. Agreement with The Avenues of Ingersoll and Grand Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District (SSMID) for a parking pilot project on Ingersoll Avenue. (Council Communication No. 26-027) **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0116 23. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute a grant agreement with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) for tree planting activities. (Council Communication No. 26-029) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0117 24. Approving financial contribution for Jordan Weber's Water Curia installation, demonstrating support for the William G. Stowe Foundation's application to the State of Iowa Community Attraction and Tourism (CAT) grant, \$15,000. (Council Communication No. 26-015) **Moved by Simonson to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0118 25. Communication from the Greater Des Moines Partnership on behalf of the Drake Relays, requesting approval of placement for up to 90 banners to be displayed on banner poles in downtown Des Moines beginning the first week of March 2026. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0119 26. Purchase of furniture and installation services for the Reichardt Community Recreation Center from All Makes Office Equipment Co. (Amee Zetzman, President) using Supplemental Agreements; OMNIA Partners Master Agreements; and NASPO ValuePoint Contracts with State of Iowa Participating Addenda, \$110,002.78. (Council Communication No. 26-013) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0120 27. Purchase of two (2) replacement light duty trucks and one (1) replacement light duty law enforcement sport utility vehicle (SUV) from GL Dodge City (Dan Boettcher, General Manager) per State of Iowa Department of Administrative Services Contracts for use in the Fire Department, \$143,517. (Council Communication No. 26-031) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0121 28. Receive and file Quarterly Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2025. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0122 29. Authorizing Finance Director to draw checks on registers for the weeks of January 26 and February 2, 2026; to draw checks for the bills of the Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency for the weeks of January 26 and February 2, 2026; to draw checks for biweekly payroll due February 6, 2026. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* END CONSENT AGENDA \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

## HEARINGS (OPEN AT 5:02 PM) (ITEMS 30 THRU 36)

26-0123

30. On request from Austin Gilliam (Owner) to amend the PlanDSM Creating Our Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan to revise the future land use classification of the property from Business Park to Low Density Residential, and to rezone 3601 SW 56th Street from “EX” Mixed-Use District to “N2b” Neighborhood District to allow reconstruction of a one-household dwelling unit. **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0124

(A) First consideration of ordinance above. **Moved by Mandelbaum that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0125

(B) Final consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by the applicant), requires six votes. **Moved by Mandelbaum that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #16,531. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0126

31. On request from Evergreen, LLC (Sukhvir Kaur, Officer) to amend the PlanDSM Creating Our Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan to revise the future land use classification for the property from Low-Medium Density Residential to Neighborhood Mixed Use, and to rezone the property located at 4540 Lower Beaver Road from “NX2” Neighborhood Mix District to Limited “RX1” Mixed-Use District to allow reuse of an existing non-conforming auto repair building for an ice cream shop with drive-through. **Moved by Barron to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0127

(A) First consideration of ordinance above. **Moved by Barron that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0128

(B) Final consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by the applicant), requires six votes. **Moved by Barron that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #16,532. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0129

32. On request from Jacobo Valderrabano Hernandez and Ofelia Perez Santoz (Owners) to rezone two (2) parcels located in the vicinity of 3214 E. 14th Street from “MX1” Mixed-Use District to Limited “MX3” Mixed-Use District to allow a tire repair shop use. **Moved by Westergaard to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0130

(A) First consideration of ordinance above. **Moved by Westergaard that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0131](#)

(B) Final consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by the applicant), requires six votes. **Moved by Westergaard that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #16,533.** Second by Gatto. **Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0132](#)

33. On request from Zion Capital Group, LLC (Ryan Campos, Officer) to amend the PlanDSM Creating Our Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan to revise the future land use classification of the property from Neighborhood Mixed Use to High Density Residential, and to rezone the property located at 2453 E. Grand Avenue from Limited “RX1” Mixed-Use District to Limited “RX1” Mixed-Use District to allow the property to contain up to ten (10) dwelling units, including six (6) dwelling units within the existing structure and four (4) dwelling units within a structure on the southern portion of the property. **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0133](#)

(A) First consideration of ordinance above. **Moved by Gatto that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0134](#)

(B) Final consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by the applicant), requires six votes. **Moved by Gatto that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #16,534.** Second by Voss. **Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0135](#)

34. On the Status of Funding Activities (SOFA) for Community Development Block Grant Funds to prepare for, prevent, and respond to Coronavirus (CDBG-CV2Z), from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), as passed through the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA). ([Council Communication No. 26-012](#)) **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0136](#)

35. On 2026 Neighborhood Sidewalk Program: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer’s estimate, receive and file bids, and designating the lowest responsive, responsible bidder as Caliber Concrete, LLC (Jason Martin, Owner), \$1,320,875.91. ([Council Communication No. 26-018](#)) **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0137](#)

(A) Approval of contract and bond. **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0138](#)

36. On East Court Avenue Reconstruction from East 7th Street to East 14th Street: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating the lowest responsive, responsible bidder as Reilly Construction Co., Inc. (Chris R. Reilly, President), \$4,198,776.71. ([Council Communication No. 26-019](#)) **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

[26-0139](#)

(A) Approval of contract and bond. **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

\*\*\*\*\*END HEARINGS AT 5:18 PM\*\*\*\*\*

## APPROVING II

[26-0140](#)

37. Consideration of a request from Des Moines Independent Community School District (DMPS), represented by Architect Bryan Huggins, to demolish the Moulton Elementary School structure at 1541 8th Street, pursuant to Section 58-70 of the Historic Preservation Ordinance. B. Approve. ([Council Communication No. 26-014](#)) **Moved by Barron to APPROVE the request to demolish the Building at 1541 8<sup>th</sup> Street, subject to all conditions and requirements set forth in City of Des Moines Municipal Code Section 58-70(d). Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.**

## ORDINANCES FIRST CONSIDERATION

[26-0141](#)

38. Amending Chapter 114 of the Municipal Code regarding Traffic Regulation Changes as follows: ([Council Communication No. 26-017](#)) **Moved by Gatto that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Second by Mandelbaum. Motion Carried 7-0.**

(A) Corner Clearance Parking Restrictions:  
(1) Harwood Drive and Polk Boulevard  
(2) Farwell Road and Reynolds Lane  
(3) SE 25th Street and Saint Andrews Circle

[26-0142](#)

(B) Final consideration of ordinance above, requires six votes. **Moved by Gatto that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #16,535. Second by Mandelbaum. Motion Carried 7-0.**

## COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

[26-0143](#)

39. Requests to speak as follows: **Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Simonson. Motion Carried 7-0.**

- (A) Crystal Jans
- (B) Eddie McCulley
- (C) Bekah Harris

[26-0144](#)

MOTION TO ADJOURN. **Moved by Gatto to adjourn at 5:31PM. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

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