



Date March 23, 2026

**APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE FEDERAL LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND PROGRAM FOR CHEATOM PARK PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Des Moines Parks and Recreation Department desires as part of the Cheatom Park Playground Improvements Project ("Project") to remove the existing outdated playground equipment and sand surfacing, develop a new playground area with equipment that has play value for multiple age groups and abilities, reconstruct the futsal court, and add accessible walkways at Cheatom Park, 1100 Day Street, Des Moines, for the enjoyment of the residents of Des Moines; and

**WHEREAS**, the Project includes removal of the existing equipment and surfacing, restoration of existing area to turf grass, relocation of playground area in park, reconstructing the futsal court, excavation and grading, installation of concrete playground containment curbing, accessible walkway(s) and playground ramp, paved seating areas (picnic tables and/or benches), concrete repairs, purchasing new playground equipment, blown-in engineered wood fiber mulch, hydro mulch and seed for restoration, rental equipment need for volunteer playground build, and site amenities (benches, picnic tables, bike racks); and

**WHEREAS**, on July 15, 2024, by Roll Call No. 24-0976, the City Council ratified submission by the Parks and Recreation Department of a \$145,000.00 grant application to the National Park Service Land and Water Conservation Fund for financial assistance for the development of the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 3, 2025, by Roll Call No. 25-1486, the City Council approved Project Grant Agreement No. 19-01410 between the City of Des Moines and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources for financial assistance for the Project, to be administered by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources in the amount of \$145,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources has provided an Amendment to Project Agreement, in form on file in the office of the City Clerk, to award an additional \$100,500 in funding, resulting in total financial assistance of \$245,500, increase the local cost share from \$165,000 to \$265,000, and require the City of Des Moines to comply with audit requirements for state and local government in accordance with federal regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, all other terms and conditions of Project Grant Agreement No. 19-01410 between the City of Des Moines and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources remain unchanged; and

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WHEREAS, the City Parks and Recreation Department Director recommends approval of said Amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that:

1. The Amendment to Project Grant Agreement No. 19-01410 between the City of Des Moines and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, for a National Park Service Land and Water Conservation Fund for the Cheatom Park Playground Improvements Project, awarding an additional \$100,500 in funding and increasing the local cost share to \$265,000, is hereby approved as to form and content, and the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Amendment for and on behalf of the City of Des Moines, Iowa.
2. The Parks and Recreation Department Director is authorized and directed to administer and monitor said Agreement, as amended, on behalf of the City.

(Council Communication No. 26-100)

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt.

Second by \_\_\_\_\_.

Approved as to form:

/s/ Cassie A. Bonefas

Cassie A. Bonefas

Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN				
SIMONSON				
VOSS				
BARRON				
WESTERGAARD				
MANDELBAUM				
GATTO				
TOTAL				

**CERTIFICATE**

I, LAURA BAUMGARTNER, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

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City Clerk