



Date April 6, 2026

AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF DONATION AGREEMENT WITH DES MOINES PARKS AND RECREATION FOUNDATION FOR CONCRETE BUGGY

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines, acting through the Parks and Recreation Department, is charged with the responsibility of operating and maintaining the City’s municipal cemeteries, which span more than 400 acres with more than 190,000 interments, and the City’s ninety-two dedicated parks; and

WHEREAS, as part of its operation of the City cemeteries, the Parks and Recreation Department must pour concrete foundations for each new monument that is installed; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department must transport materials such as soil, gravel, and playground mulch within the City’s parks, often in areas with limited vehicle access; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department could accomplish these necessary tasks with more efficiency and safety and less physical strain with the use of a Concrete Buggy rather than a wheelbarrow; and

WHEREAS, the Des Moines Parks and Recreation Foundation d/b/a Friends of Des Moines Parks (the “Foundation”) desires and has offered to purchase and donate a Concrete Buggy to the City for the benefit of the residents of Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation and City Parks and Recreation Department have reviewed and jointly selected the most appropriate Concrete Buggy, which is to be solely acquired by the Foundation, and the City desires to accept such donation; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department staff will negotiate a Donation Agreement that provides for the Foundation to make such a purchase and donate it to the City.

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

1. The Parks and Recreation Director or designee is authorized to negotiate a Donation Agreement between Des Moines Parks & Recreation Foundation (d/b/a Friends of Des Moines Parks) and the City of Des Moines Regarding New Concrete Buggy and, following approval as to form by the Legal Department, is authorized to execute said agreement.
2. The Parks and Recreation Department Director or designee is authorized and directed to administer and monitor the Agreement on behalf of the City, including acceptance, review and inspection of the donated Concrete Buggy and assignment of any vendor warranties for the Concrete Buggy in form approved by the Legal Department.

(Council Communication No. 26-122)

Moved by _____ to adopt.



Roll Call Number

Agenda Item Number

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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				
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MOTION CARRIED		APPROVED		

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.

Mayor

City Clerk