



Date April 20, 2026

**APPROVING AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF DES MOINES AND POLK COUNTY HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR WORK THAT IMPACTS HOUSING PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, through its Neighborhood Services Department, the City of Des Moines operates the Improving Our Neighborhoods (“ION”) Program to assist Des Moines homeowners with financial and operational assistance in completing necessary repairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Polk County Housing Trust Fund (“PCHTF”) is an Iowa non-profit corporation organized to undertake planning, advocacy, and funding for affordable housing in Polk County, Iowa; and

**WHEREAS**, representatives of ION and PCHTF have negotiated an agreement whereby PCHTF will provide funding to the City to assist with homeowner repairs and employ a limited number of individuals in a pre-apprentice program which will provide them training by City employees or contractors in form on file in the Office of the City Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, this pre-apprentice training program will provide needed skilled labor training to qualified individuals while also assisting other property owners within the City with necessary repairs.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa:

1. The Agreement between the City and PCHTF in form on file in the Office of the City Clerk is hereby approved and the Mayor is authorized and directed to sign the agreement on behalf of the City and the City Clerk is authorized and directed to attest to the Mayor’s signature thereon; and
2. The City Manager or his designee(s) are authorized to take all necessary action to carry out the City’s obligations under the agreement.

(Council Communication No. 26-149)

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

Approved as to form:

/s/ Gary D. Goudelock Jr.  
Gary D. Goudelock Jr  
Assistant City Attorney



**Roll Call Number**

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COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN				
SIMONSON				
VOSS				
BARRON				
WESTERGAARD				
MANDELBAUM				
GATTO				
<b>TOTAL</b>				
MOTION CARRIED			APPROVED	
_____ Mayor				

**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.

\_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk