



Date April 20, 2026

**ORDERING CONSTRUCTION OF
DOWNTOWN SKYWALK SIGNAGE REPLACEMENT
AND FIXING A DATE FOR RECEIVING OF BIDS ON MAY 5, 2026
AND PUBLIC HEARING ON JUNE 8, 2026;
ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE IS \$550,000**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA: That the attached communication recommending construction of the following public improvement and the method of financing; and also including the recommendation of the Des Moines City Engineer, as the Engineer, submitting plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and Engineer's estimate of cost for the construction of the following public improvement:

Downtown Skywalk Signage Replacement, Activity ID 042026017

The improvement includes the installation of overhead and wall-mounted static directional/wayfinding signage throughout the downtown skywalk system, and other areas as directed by the City Engineer, all in accordance with the contract documents located throughout all skywalks, Des Moines, Iowa

be and the same are hereby approved and accepted. The estimated construction cost for said public improvement is \$550,000. The proposed plans, specifications, and form of contract documents are currently available for public inspection in the Des Moines City Engineer's Office and will be available as of April 21, 2026 through the City's electronic bid submission system at <https://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/27010/home>.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this Council hereby determines that it is necessary and advisable to construct said public improvement in the manner set forth in the plans, specifications, and form of contract documents submitted by the Engineer; and that payment for the cost of said public improvement shall be paid from the funding source identified below.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That proposals will be received by the City of Des Moines through the City's electronic bid submission system at <https://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/27010/home>, starting April 21, 2026 until 11:00 a.m. on May 5, 2026, for the construction of said public improvement, and the taking of bids electronically in the manner allowed by law. Proposals received will be opened and bid results will be made public at <https://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/27010/home> following the bidding deadline and after the proposals have been verified for accuracy, unless otherwise specified, after which the bids together with a bid tabulation and recommendation of the Engineer will be presented to the City Council at its June 8, 2026 meeting for action thereon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a public hearing on said plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and Engineer's estimate of construction cost for said public improvement be held in the City Council Chambers, 1st Floor, T.M. Franklin Cownie City Administration Building, 1200 Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa, at 5:00 p.m. on June 8, 2026, at which time this Council will consider any objections offered thereto or to the making of said public improvement.



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That an appropriate Notice to Bidders for said public improvement be posted, and Notice of Public Hearing for said public improvement be published in the Des Moines Register, all as provided and directed by Chapter 26 and/or 314, Code of Iowa.

(Council Communication No. 26-144)

Moved by _____ to adopt. Second by _____

FORM APPROVED:

FUNDS AVAILABLE:

/s/ Glenna K. Frank
Glenna K. Frank
Deputy City Attorney

s/Nickolas J. Schaul
Nickolas J. Schaul
Director of Finance

Funding Source: 2026-27 CIP, Page 166, Skywalk System, SW094

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT	<p style="text-align: center;">CERTIFICATE</p> <p>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.</p> <p>IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">_____ City Clerk</p>
BOESEN					
SIMONSON					
VOSS					
BARRON					
WESTERGAARD					
MANDELBAUM					
GATTO					
TOTAL					
MOTION CARRIED				APPROVED	
_____ Mayor					

CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA

Activity ID: 04-2026-017

Date: 3/20/2026

PROJECT: DOWNTOWN SKYWALK SIGNAGE REPLACEMENT

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
1	Fabrication and Installation of all static directional signage throughout the downtown skywalk system, complete as specified.	\$500,000.00
2	Demolition of all existing skywalk signage and kiosks throughout the downtown skywalk system, complete as specified.	\$50,000.00
	TOTAL BASE BID	\$550,000.00

Prepared By: Ryan Richey, NCARB

Checked By: _____