



Roll Call Number

22-0595

Agenda Item Number

18

Date April 18, 2022

**APPROVE EXPANSION OF WATROUS HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD BOUNDARIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD RECOGNITION POLICY**

**WHEREAS**, on May 24, 1993, by Roll Call No. 93-2026, the City Council approve the Neighborhood Recognition Policy which establishes for formal recognition of neighborhoods by the City of Des Moines, and authorizes recognized neighborhoods to advise the City on issues of concern; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 28, 2017, by Roll Call No. 17-1461, the City Council approved designation of the Watrous Heights Neighborhood as a Recognized Neighborhood for the City of Des Moines; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 23, 2018, by Roll Call No. 18-1241, the City Council approved a boundary expansion of the Watrous Heights Neighborhood to include Park Avenue between SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street and South Union Street on the north, McKinley Avenue between SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street and South Union Street on the south; South Union Street between Park Avenue to McKinley Avenue on the east; and SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street between park Avenue and McKinley Avenue to the west; and

**WHEREAS**, the Watrous Heights Neighborhood has requested to further expand boundaries to include Park Avenue/E. Park Avenue between SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street and SE 5<sup>th</sup> Street to the north, Watrous Heights between South Union Street and SE 5<sup>th</sup> Street as one-half of the boundary to the south and McKinley Avenue between SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street and South Union Street as one-half of the boundary to the south, SE 5<sup>th</sup> Street between E. Park Avenue and E. Watrous Avenue as one-half of the boundary to the east boundary and South Union Street between Watrous Avenue and McKinley Avenue as one-half of the boundary to the east, and SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street between Park Avenue and McKinley Avenue to the west; as specifically shown in the accompanying map; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 6, 2022, the Neighborhood Revitalization Committee voted to recommend to the City Council that the City of Des Moines expand the boundaries of the Watrous Heights Neighborhood as proposed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the boundaries of the Watrous Heights Neighborhood be hereby expanded to include Park Avenue/E. Park Avenue between SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street and SE 5<sup>th</sup> Street to the north, Watrous Heights between South Union Street and SE 5<sup>th</sup> Street as one-half of the boundary to the south and McKinley Avenue between SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street and South Union Street as one-half of the boundary to the south, SE 5<sup>th</sup> Street between E. Park Avenue and E. Watrous Avenue as one-half of the boundary to the east boundary and South Union Street between Watrous Avenue and McKinley Avenue as one-half of the boundary to the east, and SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street between Park Avenue and McKinley Avenue to the west, and in accordance with the Neighborhood Recognition Policy, effective immediately.



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Council Communication No. 22- 174

Moved by Gatto to adopt,
Second by Boesen

FORM APPROVED:

Judy Parks-Kruse
Judy Parks-Kruse, Assistant City Attorney

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MOTION CARRIED APPROVED
T.M. Frankie Cowie Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, P. KAY CMELIK, 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.

Signature of P. Kay Cmelik

City Clerk