



Roll Call Number

25-1603

Agenda Item Number

27

Date December 8, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE CAPITAL CITY
REINVESTMENT DISTRICT TO INCLUDE APPROXIMATELY 50 ADDITIONAL
ACRES TO THE REINVESTMENT DISTRICT BOUNDARY AND REQUEST FOR
MARKET DISTRICT FUNDING ALLOCATION**

WHEREAS, in 2013, the Iowa Legislature enacted the Iowa Reinvestment District Act (the "Act"), which establishes a program administered by the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) that allows certain state hotel and motel, and sales and use tax revenues to be reinvested in designated reinvestment districts; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, the Iowa Legislature amended certain parameters of the Act and budgeted an additional \$100 million to be used to fund additional projects across the state. The Act and the administrative rules adopted by the IEDA require the submission of a pre-application for provisional approval of a proposed reinvestment district; and

WHEREAS, the City submitted a preapplication for The Capital City Reinvestment District in February 2021 and was awarded preliminary approval of \$23.5 million. The final application was submitted in February 2022, with the final award staying the same; and

WHEREAS, since then, IEDA asked for updates to the application in 2024; and

WHEREAS, the IEDA approved an updated District Plan for the Capital City Reinvestment District on October 18, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved a Reinvestment District Contract with the IEDA for the Capital City Reinvestment District on December 9, 2024, by Roll Call No. 24-1645; and

WHEREAS, by Roll Call nos. 25-0386 and 25-0387, the City Council passed Ordinance no. 16,443 establishing the Capital City Reinvestment District on March 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, in September 2025, IEDA announced a 3-month window with a deadline of December 23, 2025 when it would allow existing districts to submit for an expansion of up to 50 acres, which would then potentially be eligible for any unspent funds out of the \$100 million allocation that was made available in 2020; and

WHEREAS, in October 2025, by Roll Call No. 25-1414, the Des Moines City Council directed staff to submit an amendment to the Capital City Reinvestment District to include acres within the Market District; and



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WHEREAS, pursuant to this directive, City Staff have prepared an Amendment to the Capital City Reinvestment District plan in form on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends approval of this Amendment to the Capital City Reinvestment District plan and the submission of the Amendment to IEDA for potential State assistance to provide additional financial support for activities within the new amended District area.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines that the amendment to the Capital City Reinvestment District in form on file is hereby approved and the City Manager or his designee is directed to submit the amendment to IEDA and to take any additional steps necessary to finalize, submit, or administer the application.

(COUNCIL COMMUNICATION NO. 25-446)

MOVED BY Gatto TO APPROVE. SECOND BY Voss

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Gary D. Goudelock Jr.

Gary D. Goudelock Jr.

Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN	✓			
SIMONSON	✓			
VOSS	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
GATTO	✓			
TOTAL	7			

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Connie Boesen

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.

Laura Baumgartner

City Clerk