



Roll Call Number

26-0097

Agenda Item Number

9B

Date: January 26, 2026

**APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (IDOT) AGREEMENT FOR THE  
RECONSTRUCTION OF NEAL SMITH TRAIL AS PART OF THE BIRDLAND PARK  
PHASE 1A IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines Parks and Recreation Department desires to reconstruct a portion of the Neal Smith Trail as part of the Birdland Park Phase 1A Improvements - Reconstruction of the Neal Smith Trail project ("Project"),

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2025, by Roll Call No. 25-0887, the City Council approved the Parks and Recreation Department's grant application to the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) State Recreational Trails (SRT) fund for financial assistance in the amount of \$200,000.00 for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the IDOT has awarded the City the amount of \$200,000 as requested in the grant application, subject to the approval of and compliance with the IDOT Agreement No. 2026-RT-001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE, AND HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA:

1. That Agreement No. 2026-RT-001 between the City of Des Moines and the Iowa Department of Transportation for the reconstruction of Neal Smith Trail as part of the Birdland Park Phase 1A Improvements project, a copy of which is now on file in the office of the City Clerk, is hereby approved as to form and content.
2. That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and attest, respectively, said Agreement for and on behalf of the City of Des Moines, Iowa.

(Council Letter Number 26-022 attached)  
Activity ID 11-2023-003

Moved by Letto to adopt.

Second by Voss.

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Cassie A. Bonefas

Assistant City Attorney

**SLN**  
PW

Funding Source: Various Funding sources, as follows:

- \$200,000 - State Recreational Trail (SRT) Grant
- \$108,000 - Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (IDALS) Water Quality Initiative (WQI) Cost-Share Grant
- \$300,000 - Land Water Conservation Funding (LWCF) Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Grant
- \$150,000 - Community Attraction and Tourism (CAT) Grant
- \$300,000 - Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP) Grant
- \$1,566,005 - Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 Adopted Capital Improvement Program (CIP), Page 90, Birdland Park and Marina, PK189, Local Option Sales and Service Tax (LOSST)
- \$1,075,995 - Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 Adopted Capital Improvement Program (CIP), Page 90, Birdland Park and Marina, PK189, General Obligation Bonds

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

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