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Date January 26, 2026

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE STATUS OF FUNDED ACTIVITIES (SOFA) FOR
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING TO PREPARE, PREVENT, AND
RESPOND TO CORONAVIRUS (CDBG-CV2) FROM THE US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING
AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD), AS PASSED THROUGH THE IOWA ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (IEDA)**

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), was signed into law, which provides additional Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) funding to prepare for, prevent, and respond to coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2020, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced the availability of a second round of \$1 billion in CDBG-CV funds for states which allows them to fund activities in entitlement areas; and

WHEREAS, HUD allocated \$9,529,120 in CDBG-CV 2 funds to the State of Iowa to be administered by the Iowa Economic Development Authority ("IEDA"); and

WHEREAS, IEDA chose a methodology for funding entitlement cities based on population and a standard factor and allocated \$2,067,124 CDBG-CV 2 funds to the City of Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, the City has expended its initial CDBG-CV allocation from the State and has received an additional \$456,000 for shelter operations and activity delivery costs; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with instructions from IEDA and 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 91 Subpart B, an entitlement jurisdiction receiving CDBG-CV funding, such as the City of Des Moines, must follow its citizen participation procedures and provide citizens with a reasonable opportunity to comment on federally-funded activities; and

WHEREAS, HUD has issued several regulatory waivers and suspensions for federally-funded programs, including Consolidated Plan and citizen participation requirements in 24 CFR 91, in conjunction with the CARES Act; and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2020, HUD acknowledged the City of Des Moines' intent to waive 1) the citizen participation 30-day public comment period for Consolidated Plan amendments to no less than five days and 2) citizen participation reasonable notice and opportunity to comment in the city's citizen participation plan; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary, by public hearing following notice, to obtain the views of residents regarding community development and housing needs and to provide a forum for residents to comment on the City's CDBG-CV activities; and

WHEREAS, Section 508 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987, as amended, requires local governments to comply with the State of Iowa's Citizen Participation Plan; and



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WHEREAS, the State of Iowa's Citizen Participation Plan includes a public hearing requirement on the Status of Funded Activities (SOFA) when the project is at 50 percent completion; and

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2026, by Roll Call No. 26-0068, in compliance with the HUD regulations and State requirements, the City Council set a public hearing for January 26, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. to obtain citizen comments regarding the status of CDBG-CV 2 activities; and

WHEREAS, due notice of the public hearing was published in the Des Moines Register on January 16, 2026, which is consistent with the requirements of Iowa Code, Section 362.3; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on this date has been opened and those seeking to comment on the CDBG-CV 2 activities, as outlined in the attached Council Communication, have been afforded the opportunity to do so.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of Des Moines, Iowa, that all public comments regarding the Status of Funded Activities (SOFA) for CDBG-CV 2 funded activities have been received and the hearing is hereby closed.

(Council Communication No. 26-012)

Moved by Gatto to adopt.

Second by Voss.

FORM APPROVED:

/s/ Gary D. Goudelock Jr.

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Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN	✓			
SIMONSON	✓			
VOSS	✓			
BARRON	✓			
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