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Date January 26, 2026

**CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FROM THE DES MOINES INDEPENDENT
COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (“DMPS”), REPRESENTED BY ARCHITECT,
BRYAN HUGGINS, TO DEMOLISH THE MOULTON ELEMENTARY STRUCTURE
LOCATED AT 1541 8TH STREET PURSUANT TO SECTION 58-70 OF THE HISTORIC
PRESERVATION ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, DMPS owns Moulton Elementary School located at 1541 8th Street (“Building”) and has proposed to demolish the Building; and

WHEREAS, the Building is not on the National Register of Historic Places, is not located within a local historic district, and is not a local landmark; and

WHEREAS, the Development Services Director has determined the Building is greater than 50 years old, is deemed historically significant, and meets the criteria for landmark designation set forth in City of Des Moines Municipal Code § 58-58; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Historic Preservation Ordinance, the Development Services Director has referred the application to City Council for review; and

WHEREAS, City Council is required to consider oral and written comments from all interested parties and determine if the proposed demolition should be referred to the City’s Historic Preservation Commission for further study and review.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, as follows:

Upon due consideration of the facts, and any and all statements of interested persons and arguments of counsel, any objections to the proposed demolition, are hereby received and filed.

(Council Communication No. 26-014)

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Alternative A

MOVED by _____ to DENY the request to demolish the Building at 1541 8th Street, and to refer the application for proposed demolition to the Historic Preservation Commission for further study and review. Second by _____.

Alternative B

MOVED by Barron to APPROVE the request to demolish the Building at 1541 8th Street, subject to all conditions and requirements set forth in City of Des Moines Municipal Code § 58-70(d). Second by Gatto.

/s/ Emily A. Duffy

Emily A. Duffy
Assistant City Attorney

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

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

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.

Connie Boesen

Mayor

Laura Baumgartner

City Clerk