



Date February 23, 2026

**ORDERING CONSTRUCTION OF  
BIRDLAND PARK PHASE 1B IMPROVEMENTS  
AND FIXING A DATE FOR RECEIVING OF BIDS ON MARCH 24, 2026  
AND PUBLIC HEARING ON APRIL 20, 2026  
ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE IS \$7,400,000**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA: That the attached communication recommending construction of the following public improvement and the method of financing; and also including the recommendation of the Des Moines City Engineer, as the Engineer, submitting plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and Engineer's estimate of cost for the construction of the following public improvement:

Birdland Park Phase 1B Improvements, Activity ID 112025004  
IDNR Project No. 19-01387 / IEDA Project No. 26-CAT-001

The improvements include the construction of a Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) parking lot, PCC skate ribbon, playground area, concession shelter building, boardwalks, playground surfacing, storm sewer pipe, storm sewer manholes, storm sewer intakes, bioretention cells and plantings, granular subbase, PCC sidewalks and trail, grading, electrical work, pavement markings, erosion control, surface restoration and other incidental items, all in accordance with the contract documents including Plan File No. 671-184/297, located at Birdland Park, west of Saylor Road, Des Moines, Iowa

be and the same are hereby approved and accepted. The estimated construction cost for said public improvement is \$7,400,000. The proposed plans, specifications, and form of contract documents are available for public inspection in the Des Moines City Engineer's Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this Council hereby determines that it is necessary and advisable to construct said public improvement in the manner set forth in the plans, specifications, and form of contract documents submitted by the Engineer; and that payment for the cost of said public improvement shall be paid from the funding source identified below.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That proposals will be received by the City of Des Moines, at the office of the Des Moines City Clerk until 11:00 a.m. on March 24, 2026, for the construction of said public improvement, and the taking of bids in the manner required by law. Proposals received will be opened at a public meeting presided over by the Engineer in the City Council Chambers, 1st Floor, T.M. Franklin Cownie City Administration Building, 1200 Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa, at 11:00 a.m. on March 24, 2026, after which the bids together with a bid tabulation and recommendation of the Engineer will be presented to the City Council at its April 20, 2026 meeting for action thereon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a public hearing on said plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and Engineer's estimate of construction cost for said public improvement be held in the City Council Chambers, 1st Floor, T.M. Franklin Cownie City Administration Building, 1200 Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa, at 5:00 p.m. on April 20, 2026, at which time this Council will consider any objections offered thereto or to the making of said public improvement.



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That an appropriate Notice to Bidders for said public improvement be posted, and Notice of Public Hearing for said public improvement be published in the Des Moines Register, all as provided and directed by Chapter 26 and/or 314, Code of Iowa.

(Council Communication No. 26-059 )

Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss

FORM APPROVED:

/s/ Glenna K. Frank  
Glenna K. Frank  
Deputy City Attorney

FUNDS AVAILABLE:

/s/Nickolas J. Schaul  
Nickolas J. Schaul  
Director of Finance

Funding Source: 2025-26 CIP, Page 90, Birdland Park and Marina, PK189, Being: \$2,979,465 Land Water Conservation Funding (LWCF) Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Grant, \$350,000 Community Attraction and Tourism (CAT) Grant, \$2,796,530 in LOSST Monies, and \$1,274,005 in G.O. Bonds

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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