



**Roll Call Number**

26-0420

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**Date** April 6, 2026

**ORDERING CONSTRUCTION OF  
TRAFFIC SIGNAL REPLACEMENT AT  
MERLE HAY ROAD AND MEREDITH DRIVE AND I-80/I-35  
AND FIXING A DATE FOR RECEIVING OF BIDS ON APRIL 21, 2026  
AND PUBLIC HEARING ON MAY 4, 2026;  
ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE IS \$600,000**

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:

Traffic Signal Replacement at Merle Hay Road and Meredith Drive and I-80/I-35, Activity ID 042026009 IDOT Project No. UST-028-2(053)--4A-77 and IMN-080-3(365)132--0E-77

The improvement includes new traffic signal systems, Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) sidewalks, PCC pavement, pavement markings, traffic signage and other incidental items, all in accordance with the contract documents including Plan File No. 681-031/056, located at Merle Hay Road and Meredith Drive and at Merle Hay Road and the eastbound ramps of I-80/I-35 and other locations directed by the City Engineer, Des Moines, Iowa

be and the same are hereby approved and accepted. The estimated construction cost for said public improvement is \$600,000. 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 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 May 4, 2026, at which time this Council will consider any objections offered thereto or to the making of said public improvement.

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 April 21, 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 April 21, 2026, after which the bids together with a bid tabulation and recommendation of the Engineer will be presented to the City Council at its next meeting for action thereon.



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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. 26-131)

Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss

FORM APPROVED:

FUNDS AVAILABLE:

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

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

Funding Source: 2025-26 CIP, Page 172, Traffic Signal Replacement, TR091, Being: \$267,292.50 (\$350,000 Max) Per Iowa Department of Transportation Cooperative Agreement IMN-080-3(365)132-OE-77; \$182,990 in Iowa DOT Urban State Traffic Engineering Program (USTEP) Funds UST-028-2(053)--4A-77 (55% of eligible items with a max of \$200,000); \$74,858.75 from the City of Urbandale; and the remaining \$74,858.75 in G.O. Bonds

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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.

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED
Connie Boesen Mayor

Laura Baumgartner City Clerk