



Roll Call Number

26-0654

Agenda Item Number

11

Date June 8, 2026

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION AND DONATION OF THE HARRIET STREET ACCESS WATER TRAILS IMPROVEMENT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,972,751.84.

WHEREAS, ICON Water Trails, formerly Central Iowa Water Trails (CIWT), operates as a regional public-private partnership for the purpose of implementing a recreational and dam safety plan for 150 miles of water trails throughout Central Iowa; and

WHEREAS, ICON Water Trails has constructed improvements at the Harriet Street Access site on the Des Moines River. The site being located just downstream of the Southeast 14th Street bridge over the Des Moines River; and

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2021, under Roll Call No. 21-1446, an Agreement was approved between the Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), ICON Water Trails, Polk County Conservation, and the City of Des Moines regarding a US DOT BUILD Grant, whereby providing funding to the Downtown Water Trails Projects, providing access to the City owned property to complete improvements and outlining needed documentation required for the City to accept Substantial Completion of improvements for operation and maintenance of the site to be taken over by the City; and

WHEREAS, The US DOT BUILD Grant obligated the completion of improvements to be completed at Prospect Park, Birdland Marina, Scott Avenue, and Harriet Street with the planning, design, and construction be led by ICON Water Trails as designated by the MPO; and

WHEREAS, The cost for maintaining the Birdland Marina, Harriet Street, and Scott Avneue sites will be tracked by the City and reimbursed annually by ICON Water Trails; and

WHEREAS, The City Engineer has monitored the construction and reconstruction of improvements at the Harriet Street Access site, has been notified of Substantial Completion, and received all project documentation regarding the construction of said improvements following engineering standards and specifications as set forth by the Iowa DOT which was an obligation by the funding administrators; and

WHEREAS, The City Engineer has reviewed project documentation and has determined conformance with requirements set forth by the Agreement and recommends acceptance of the Substantial Completion of the Harriet Street Access improvements, open the site for public use, and to begin the City's operation and maintenance of said improvements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa: That the project documentation and certifications from ICON Water Trails acknowledging the substantial completion of the Harriet Street Access improvements, in form on file with the City Engineering Department, in accordance with the Agreement as approved under Roll Call No. 21-1446, Dated September 13, 2021, be received and filed; and that Substantial Completion Harriet Street Access improvements is hereby acknowledged, the donation value by ICON Water Trails of \$1,972,751.84 is hereby acknowledged, and that Harriet Street Access will hereby be operated and maintained by the City.

(Council Communication No. 26-189)



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Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss

FORM APPROVED:

/s/ Thomas G. Fisher Jr.

Thomas G. Fisher Jr.
Chief Deputy City Attorney

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

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