



Roll Call Number

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Date June 29, 2026

**CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FROM GRAHAM INVESTMENT COMPANY,
REPRESENTED BY JEFF HATFIELD TO DEMOLISH THREE STRUCTURES
LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF 401 GRAND AVENUE PURSUANT TO SECTION
58-70 OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, Graham Investment Company owns the real property located at 401 Grand Avenue, 411 Grand Avenue, 417 Grand Avenue, and 516 4th Street, (collectively, the “Buildings”) and has proposed to demolish the Buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Buildings are not on the National Register of Historic Places, they are not located within a local historic district, and they are not a local landmark; and

WHEREAS, the Development Services Director has determined the Buildings are greater than 50 years old, are deemed historically significant, and they meet 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. 26-236)



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Alternative A

MOVED by [redacted] to REFER the application requesting approval to demolish the Buildings located at 401 Grand Avenue, 411 Grand Avenue, 417 Grand Avenue and 516 4th Street to the Historic Preservation Commission for further study and review.

Second by [redacted]

Alternative B

MOVED by Mandelbaum to APPROVE the request to demolish the Buildings at 401 Grand Avenue, 411 Grand Avenue, 417 Grand Avenue, and 516 4th 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

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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.

Connie Boesen

Mayor

Laura Baumgartner

City Clerk