*** DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL MEETING REPORT ***

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# SUMMARY OF DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL MEETING
## City Hall, City Council Chambers
## 1200 Locust Street
## Des Moines, Iowa 50309

**April 20, 2026**
**5:00 PM**

**PROCLAMATION – 4:50 PM**

Arbor Day

**PRESENTATION – 4:55 PM**

American Public Works Association reaccreditation

26-0479 1. ROLL CALL: **Present: Boesen, Simonson, Voss, Barron, Westergaard, Mandelbaum and Gatto. Council Member Gatto participated in the meeting by phone.**

26-0480 2. APPROVING AGENDA, AS PRESENTED AND/OR, AS AMENDED: **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Simonson. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0481 3. APPROVING CONSENT AGENDA * – items 3 through 36: **Moved by Voss to adopt the balance of the Consent Agenda. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

***Note: These are routine items and will be enacted by one roll call vote without separate discussion unless pursuant to Council rules, Council requests an item be removed to be considered separately.**

**LICENSES AND PERMITS**

26-0482 4. Approving Alcoholic Beverage License Applications for the following: **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0. Council Member Gatto declares a conflict of interest and abstains from voting on 4(D).**

**NEW APPLICATIONS**

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| (A) | BLUE RIBBON BAR & EATERY | 3000 E GRAND AVE | Class C Liquor |
| (B) | SANDS VOLLEYBALL CLUB | 6214 GRAND AVE | Class C Liquor |

**RENEWAL APPLICATIONS**

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| (C) | ARTISANAL FOOD COMPANY | 2801 FLEUR DR | Class C Liquor |
| *(D) | BARATTAS RESTAURANT | 2320 SOUTH UNION ST | Class C Liquor |
| (E) | CASEYS #4026 | 3401 INGERSOLL AVE | Class B Retail |
| (F) | CASEYS #44 | 4560 E 14TH ST | Class E Liquor |
| (G) | DEEP SUPERMARKET | 5900 SE 14TH ST #101 | Class B Retail |
| (H) | DES MOINES MARRIOTT HOTEL | 700 GRAND AVE | Class C Liquor |
| (I) | GIT N GO STORE #5 | 2700 INDIANOLA AVE | Class B Retail |
| (J) | JESSES EMBERS | 3301 INGERSOLL AVE | Class C Liquor |
| (K) | JOHNNYS HALL OF FAME | 302 COURT AVE | Class C Liquor |
| (L) | OLIVE GARDEN | 6157 SE 14TH ST | Class C Liquor |
| (M) | TABLE 128 | 220 SW 9TH ST | Class C Liquor |
| (N) | WORLD LIQUOR & TOBACCO | 3200 SE 14TH ST | Class E Liquor |

**SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATIONS**

(O) APRES BAR CO — 519 PARK ST — 5 days
CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR ZA GA ZIG CHAMPAGNE AND CHOCOLATE GALA ON MAY 2, 2026.

(P) APRES BAR CO — 100 LOCUST ST — 5 days
CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR A WEDDING ON MAY 2, 2026.

(Q) DM EMBASSY CLUB WFP — 100 LOCUST ST — 5 days
CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR AN EVENT ON MAY 15, 2026.

(R) THIRSTY PIGS — 2251 GEORGE FLAGG — 5 days
CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR ZZ TOP/DWIGHT YOAKAM CONCERT ON MAY 7, 2026.

26-0483 5. City Clerk to issue Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Permits for the following: **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

**NEW APPLICATION**

(A) CAP CITY CIGARS LLC 1536 2ND AVE

**PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS**

26-0484 6. Ordering construction of Downtown Skywalk Signage Replacement: Receiving of bids, (5-5-26) and Setting date of hearing, (6-8-26), Engineer's estimate, $550,000. (Council Communications No. 26-144) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0485 7. Approving Professional Services Agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. for professional services for the Guthrie Avenue Traffic Signal Improvements, not to exceed $141,410. (Council Communication No. 26-140) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0486 8. Approving a Professional Services Agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. for professional services for the City-Wide Speed Management Study, not to exceed $248,000. (Council Communication No. 26-141) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

**SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS**

26-0487 9. Levying Assessments for costs of Nuisance Abatement-NAC Emergency Orders (Neighborhood Services), Schedule No. 2026-04. **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

**LAND/PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS**

**WITHDRAWN**

26-0488 10. ~~Acceptance of real estate documents from Ty Cawley for voluntary acquisition of property located at 200 Euclid Avenue for $425,000 and authorization to use Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for acquisition and stabilization. (Council Communication No. 26-147)~~

**BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/NEIGHBORHOODS**

26-0489 11. Recommendation from Mayor Boesen to reappoint John Beard to the Historic Preservation Commission, Seat 2, for a term expiring March 28, 2029. **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0490 12. Approving appointment of Council Members Mike Simonson and Josh Mandelbaum to the Des Moines Performing Arts Board of Directors through June 30, 2027. **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

**SETTING DATE OF HEARINGS**

26-0491 13. On conveyance of an electric easement on City-owned property located at 4850 SE 5th Street to MidAmerican Energy Company for the 2026 Neighborhood Sidewalk Program, (5-4-26). **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0492 14. On vacation and conveyance of subsurface and air rights easements within portions of E. 2nd Street, E. Court Avenue and E. 3rd Street to Riverview Parking, LLC for $38,100, (5-4-26). **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0493 15. On vacation of a portion of Bates Park located at 220 Clark Street, (5-4-26). (Council Communication No. 26-137) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0494 16. On request from Des Moines Prep Facilities, LLC (Manuel Mattke, Officer) to rezone three (3) parcels located in the vicinity of 107 E. 6th Street from "DX2" Downtown District to "DXR" Downtown District to allow development of a new athletic field and accessory park, which is a "Sports & Recreation, Private / Participant – Outdoor" use type, (5-4-26). **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

**LEGAL DEPARTMENT - CLAIM SETTLEMENTS & BILLINGS**

26-0495 17. Approving settlement of Justin Maschke workers' compensation claim. **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

**APPROVING**

26-0496 18. Preliminary Award of Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds for Kingman Place Townhomes, 3125 Kingman Boulevard. (Council Communication No. 26-138) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0497 19. Preliminary Award of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for Cynergy, 1230 Oakridge Drive. (Council Communication No. 26-148) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

**WITHDRAWN**

26-0498 20. ~~Agreement with Polk County Housing Trust Fund (PCHTF) for the Work That Impacts Housing Program (WTIHC). (Council Communication No. 26-149)~~

26-0499 21. First Amendment to an Urban Renewal Development Agreement with Highland Park Flats, LLC for the construction of a 12-unit apartment building located at 3608-3610 5th Avenue. (Council Communication No. 26-152) **Moved by Voss to approve. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0500 22. Amended and Restated Urban Renewal Development Agreement and Environmental Mitigation Agreement with Market District Apartments, LP. (Council Communication No. 26-153 and 26-156) **Moved by Voss to approve. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0501 23. Facility Use Agreement for Historic City Hall and authorizing City Manager to sign up to three additional facility use agreements. (Council Communication No. 26-151) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0502 24. GC26 Local Arts and Culture Program Grant Agreement with Bravo Greater Des Moines for grant funding for local cultural programming, $7,500. (Council Communication No. 26-136) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0503 25. Authorizing the City of Des Moines to enter into proposed agreements involving the National Opioid settlements with six regional distributors/dispenser defendants: Associated Pharmacies, Inc. (and American Associated Pharmacies); J M Smith Corporation; Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; Morris and Dickson Co.; North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; and United Natural Foods, Inc. (Including its subsidiaries Supervalu and Advantage Logistics). **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0504 26. Submission of a joint application with Polk County and the City of West Des Moines for funding through the FY2025 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program and a Memorandum of Understanding with the Polk County Sheriff's Office, $191,757. (Council Communication No. 26-134) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0505 27. Agreement with the Des Moines Police Gold Braid Organization (GBO) for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029. (Council Communication No. 26-135) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0506 28. Communication from the Greater Des Moines Partnership on behalf of the Des Moines Art Center, requesting approval of placement for up to 40 banners to be displayed on banner poles in downtown Des Moines beginning the first week of May 2026. **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

29. Abatement of public nuisances at the following:

26-0507 (A) 3515 SW 27th Street. **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0508 (B) 1702 Army Post Road. **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0509 30. Additional $225,000 of funds for the purchase of computer and accessory equipment from CDW Government LLC (Christine A. Leahy, President and CEO) pursuant to City of Des Moines contracts #K24-572, #K24-571, and #K25-276 for an annual amount not to exceed, $475,000. (Council Communication No. 26-154) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0510 31. Additional $137,000 of funds for the purchase of phone system implementation consulting and professional services from Carrier Access Information Technology (IT) using Omnia partners / Region 4 ESC contract and form K25-336 with TD Synnex Corporation for an amount not to exceed $422,000. (Council Communication No. 26-155) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0511 32. Purchase of Portland cement concrete from Norwalk Ready-Mix Concrete, Inc. (Jack Bohlender, Owner) as primary and Liberty Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Liberty Ready Mix (Jeff Tucker, Owner) as secondary for a total annual estimated amount of $990,000. (Two compliant bids received) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0512 33. Purchase of hot mix and warm mix asphalt materials from Grimes Asphalt & Paving Corporation (Matt Triggs, Executive Vice President) as primary and InRoads, LLC (Joe Manatt, President) as secondary for a total annual estimated amount of $950,000. (Three compliant bids received) **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0513 34. Receive and file Quarterly Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2026. **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0514 35. Authorizing Finance Director to draw checks on registers for the weeks of April 20 and 27, 2026; to draw checks for the bills of the Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency for the weeks of April 20 and 27, 2026; to draw checks for biweekly payroll due May 1, 2026. **Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

**ORDINANCES - SECOND CONSIDERATION**

26-0515 36. Establishing the Carpenter TIF District No. 2 in the Carpenter Urban Renewal Area. **Moved by Voss that this ordinance be considered and given second vote for passage. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0516 (A) Final consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by Carrie Kruse, Economic Development Administrator), requires six votes. **Moved by Voss that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #16,549. Second by Barron. Motion Carried 7-0.**

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**HEARINGS (OPEN AT 5:00 PM. (ITEMS 37 THRU 43)**

26-0517 37. On vacation of a portion of E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway right-of-way lying north of and adjoining 500 SE 7th Street, 506 SE 7th Street and 509 SE 6th Street and conveyance to Market District Apartments, LP for $4,500. **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0518 (A) First consideration of ordinance above. **Moved by Mandelbaum that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0519 (B) Final consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by Jacob Christensen, President Market District Apartments GP, LLC), requires six votes. **Moved by Mandelbaum that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #16,550. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0520 38. To correct the vacation of air rights within portions of E. 16th Street and E. Grand Avenue right-of-way adjoining 1600 E. Grand Avenue, and conveyance of a Corrected Permanent Easement for Air Space Above City-Owned Property to Francisco J. Plesent Living Trust and Maria Araceli Pena. **Moved by Westergaard to adopt. Secon by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0521 (A) First consideration of ordinance above. **Moved by Westergaard that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0522 (B) Final consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by Maria Araceli Pena), requires six votes. **Moved by Westergaard that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #16,551. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0523 39. On the proposed Sixth Amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan for the Oak Park-Highland Park Urban Renewal Area. (Council Communication No. 26-150) **Moved by Westergaard to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0524 40. On 2026 Hot-Mix Asphalt (HMA) Residential Paving Program: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating the lowest responsive, responsible bidder as InRoads, LLC (Joseph J. Manatt, CEO), $994,415. (Council Communication No. 26-142) **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0525 (A) Approval of contract and bond. **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0526 41. On 2026 Parking Garage Repair Program: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsive, responsible bidder as Fisher Building Services, Inc. (Douglas R. Fisher, President), $830,560. (Council Communication No. 26-143) **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0527 (A) Approval of contract and bond. **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0528 42. On Birdland Park Phase 1B Improvements: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating the lowest responsive, responsible bidder as Minturn, Inc. (Clinton M. Rhoads, President), $8,398,738.65. (Council Communication No. 26-145) **Moved by Westergaard to adopt. Second by Simonson. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0529 (A) Approval of contract and bond. **Moved by Westergaard to adopt. Second by Simonson. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0530 (B) Approving Water Quality Initiative (WQI) Urban Conservation Demonstration Projects cost-share grant contract with Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (IDALS) in the amount of $150,000. (Council Communication No. 26-146) **Moved by Westergaard to adopt. Second by Simonson. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0531 43. Dismissing hearing on approval of plans, specifications, form of contract, and Engineer's estimate on the Skywalk Exterior Improvements Phase 1 due to no bids being received. **Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

*****END HEARINGS AT 5:15 PM*****

**ORDINANCES FIRST CONSIDERATION**

26-0532 44. Amending Chapter 114 of the Municipal Code regarding parking modifications – SW 33rd Street south of Gannett Avenue. (Council Communication No. 26-139) **Moved by Mandelbaum that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

26-0533 (A) Final consideration of ordinance above, requires six votes. **Moved by Mandelbaum that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #16,552. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.**

**COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS**

26-0534 45. Requests to speak as follows: **Moved by Mandelbaum to receive and file comments. Second by Simonson. Motion Carried 7-0. Motion by Simonson to receive and file document from Laurie Wolf. Second by Simonson. Motion Carried 7-0.**

(A) Laurie Wolf
(B) Jenni Klise – Did not speak.
(C) Amy MacKrell

26-0535 MOTION TO ADJOURN. **Moved by Barron to adjourn at 5:26 PM. Second by Simonson. Motion Carried 7-0.**

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