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**Date** October 3, 2022

**RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING ON REQUEST FROM CITY OF DES MOINES FOR A  
CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR WOODLAND CEMETARY AT 2019  
WOODLAND AVENUE**

**WHEREAS**, City of Des Moines, Owner of real property known as Woodland Cemetery, located at 2019 Woodland Avenue, (the "Property") have made application for a Certificate of Appropriateness regarding the following items pertaining to work at Woodland Cemetery, 2019 Woodland Avenue:

- A) Replacement of two existing brick retaining walls on the west and south sides of the cemetery, with new segmental block gravity walls.
- B) Full brick reconstruction of the north half of the traffic circle along road 13.
- C) Full depth reconstruction of roads 10, 11, and 15a.
- D) New mill and overlay of roads 1-9, 12, 14, 15, and 16.
- E) Removal of roads 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 14, 15, 16, and a small segment of road in front of the city receiving vault.
- F) Pavement cores on all proposed mill and overlay roadways to confirm no brick paving under the asphalt. If brick is found, conduct brick reconstruction instead of mill and overlay.
- G) If road proposed for removal must be retained, rehabilitation of those roads in accordance with requests C, D, or F; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 6, 2022, after notice, the Landmark Review Board considered the application for Certificate of Appropriateness and Board's consensus was to recommend that the Certificate of Appropriateness should be granted subject to the following conditions:

1. Replacement retaining walls shall match the general scale and size of the historic walls.
2. Replacement retaining walls shall be constructed with materials that match the texture, size and color of the historic material to the extent possible. However, the characteristics of the selected material, such as the color, shall be representative of the selected material and not altered to appear brick-like if the product is not brick.
3. A cap element should be avoided to duplicate the simplicity of the historic walls.
4. The salvage of retaining wall bricks shall be explored to the satisfaction of the Planning & Urban Design Administrator.



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5. Road 16 can be removed if coring samples do not identify any brick paver material. The remaining roads shall be retained.
6. The applicant shall review the coring results noted in conditions 5 with the Planning & Urban Design Administrator before proceeding.
7. Replacement curbing shall match the design of the curb style associated with the historic pavement material. For example, brick roads traditionally had square edge curbs. If a limited amount of curbing is being replaced, then it should match the adjoining curbing style regardless of the historic roadway surface.
8. Review and approval of any conflicts identified with road rehabilitation, curb rehabilitation, and nearby features such as gravesites, trees, or other significant markers by Planning & Urban Design Administrator as needed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, as follows:

1. That the attached communication from the Landmark Review Board is hereby received and filed.
2. That the meeting of the City Council at which the application for issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness is to be considered, and at which time the City Council will hear both those who oppose and those who favor the proposal, shall be held at the Council Chambers, City Hall, 400 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines, Iowa, at 5:00 p.m. on October 24, 2022.
3. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said proposal in the accompanying form to be given by publication once, not less than seven (7) days and not more than twenty (20) days before the date of hearing, all as specified in Section 362.3 of the Iowa Code.



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Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Boesen.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Lisa A. Wieland

Lisa A. Wieland  
Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
BOESEN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
SHEUMAKER	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	7			

CERTIFICATE

I, LAURA BAUMGARTNER, Acting 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

J. M. Franklin Cownie Mayor

Laura Baumgartner Acting City Clerk