



**Roll Call Number**

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**Date** January 23, 2023

**RESOLUTION HOLDING HEARING REGARDING REQUEST FROM THE GREATER DES MOINES PARTNERSHIP AND CITY OF DES MOINES FOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT THE DOWNTOWNDSM: FUTURE FORWARD PLAN AS AN ELEMENT OF PLANDSM: CREATING OUR TOMORROW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, on April 25, 2016, by Roll Call No. 16-0717, the City Council adopted the PlanDSM: Creating Our Tomorrow Comprehensive Future Land Use Plan (“PlanDSM: Creating Our Tomorrow”); and

**WHEREAS**, in 2021, the Greater Des Moines Partnership launched the DowntownDSM: Future Forward (“Downtown Plan”) planning effort in 2021 in collaboration with Bravo Greater Des Moines, Catch Des Moines, Capital Crossroads, City of Des Moines, Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART), Des Moines Downtown Chamber of Commerce, Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), FuseDSM, Operation Downtown and Polk County; and

**WHEREAS**, the focus of the initiative was to formulate a community-driven plan, positioning Downtown for short-term economic recovery and long-term vibrancy and vitality while acknowledging important historical and ongoing related planning efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Downtown Plan includes generally, in addition to the Downtown, a larger area roughly bounded by MLK Jr Parkway, East 14th Street, University Avenue, and the Des Moines and Raccoon Rivers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Downtown Plan is proposed to be adopted as an element of PlanDSM: Creating Our Tomorrow; and

**WHEREAS**, at a public hearing held on December 15, 2022, the City Plan and Zoning Commission has advised that its members voted 10-0-1 in support of a motion to recommend **APPROVAL** to adopt the Downtown Plan as an element of PlanDSM: Creating Our Tomorrow; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 9, 2023, by Roll Call No. 23-0028, it was duly resolved by the City Council that the request for approval and adoption of proposed adoption of the Downtown Plan is to be considered be set down for hearing on January 23, 2023, in the Council Chambers at City Hall; and

**WHEREAS**, due notice of said hearing was published in the Des Moines Register, as provided by law, setting forth the time and place for hearing on said Downtown Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with said notice, those interested in the said proposed adoption of the Downtown Plan as an element of the PlanDSM: Creating Our Tomorrow, both for and against, have been given the opportunity to be heard with respect thereto and have presented their views to the City Council.



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

1. Upon due consideration of the facts, any and all statements of interested persons and arguments of counsel, any objections to the proposed approval and adoption of the Downtown Plan as an element of the PlanDSM: Creating Our Tomorrow are hereby overruled, and the hearing is closed.
2. That the proposed adoption of the Downtown Plan as an element of the PlanDSM: Creating Our Tomorrow, as described above, is hereby **APPROVED**.

MOVED by Voss to continue to the February 6, 2023 Council meeting. Second by Mandelbaum.

FORM APPROVED:

/s/ Lisa A. Wieland  
Lisa A. Wieland, Assistant City Attorney

(COMP-2022-000001)

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

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

J. M. Franklin Cownie Mayor

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.

Laura Baumgartner

City Clerk