



**MINUTES
DES MOINES CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING**

**City Council Chambers
21630 11th Avenue S, Suite C
Des Moines, Washington
Wednesday, February 25, 2026 - 6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Harry Steinmetz called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Council Present: Deputy Mayor Gene Achziger; Councilmember Harry Steinmetz; Councilmember Robyn Desimone

Committee Present: Victoria Andrews; Corrine Anderson-Ketchmark; Charlene Bacalzo; Alyson Chapin; Jeff Crompe; Eddy Duggar; Aileen Evans; Lisa Franz, Colleen Gants; Diane Hoyer; Bill Linscott; Mackenzie Meyers; Randy Richards

Staff Present: Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton; City Liaison Tara Vaughn; Deputy City Clerk Sara Lee

AGENDA ITEMS

- Item 1. **Approval of Minutes**
Motion: "I move to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2026 Citizens Advisory Board Meeting."

Direction/Action

Motion made by Jeff Crompe, seconded by Eddy Duggar
Motion 13-0.

- Item 2. **City Sponsored Events Presentation**

Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton gave a presentation on City Sponsored Events.

- Community Enrichment Services (CES) - Park and Recreation, Senior

- Services, Events and Facilities.
- Discontinuation of Fourth of July Drone Show and moving towards multiple signature events
 - Review of First Annual Holiday Tree Lighting
 - Future Goals - Refine the scope of the Fourth of July event(s) in anticipation of America's 250th Birthday.

Item 3. **Subcommittee Reports**

ARTS COMMISSION - PRESENTED BY JEFF CROMPE and CHARLENE BACALZO

- Working with Communications and Community Programs Analyst Alex Reyes to create a flyer to be used for advertng the Summer Concerts.
- Video Contest Update: Announcing the contest to the school at the beginning of the school year, with submissions due around October. Theater on Marine View Drive will be utilized to view the submissions.
- Working with the City to help with the Christmas Decorations this year.
- International Sculpture Day is April 25th - Creating a map that showcases the sculptures in the City.

SENIOR SERVICES - PRESENTED BY AILEEN EVANS

- Meeting with Community Enrichment Services Program Supervisor Cortney Wilt and Recreation Manager Kyle Ehlers to discuss the following programs:
 - Inter-generational Programming - Indoor playtime for kids and parents
 - Senior vs, Senior History Project - Highschool students visiting senior living residents and interviewing seniors regarding their history.
 - Postscripts - Hearing stories from seniors and discussing memories and showcasing any memorabilia they have of Des Moines.

HUMAN SERVICES - PRESENTED BY CORRINE ANDERSON-KETCHMARK

- Met with Co-Responder Monica O. Lara at Des Moines Police to go over services Monica provides and how to connect citizens with those services.
- Building a resource guide for citizens.
- Future meetings with BackPack Brigade, Orion, and Highline College.
- March 6th - Will be hearing an update regarding a grant and reviewing applications to present to Council to see which applications will receive the funding. Applicants are service providers for the community.

NEXT MEETING DATE

March 25, 2026

ADJOURNMENT

Direction/Action

Motion made by Charlene Bacalzo, seconded by Victoria Andrews
Motion 13-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.