



City of
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Economic Development Newsletter

Infrastructure Projects, Building Permitting Innovation, Development Incentives: Learn More at the Urbandale Spring Development Update

Join us from 11:30 – 1:00 on Wednesday, March 6 for an update on Urbandale's capital projects, commercial and residential construction investment, the new online permit portal, economic development, community development, and engineering/public works projects. Elected and staff leaders will be on hand to present information and provide answers useful to developers, commercial real estate brokers, contractors and associated industries. Attendance is limited, so [please RSVP today!](#)

City Council Takes Action to Encourage Investment and Employment with Incentive Extension

The City Council has supported the success of businesses for decades with property-tax based incentives that rebate a portion of property taxes paid on new building construction or additions to existing facilities. As the City and partners have invested in new interchange access to increase investment opportunities, the Council put into place an incentive specifically designed to encourage the construction of the highest quality office space in Urbandale's core interstate-served business development area. That incentive – known as the Class A Office Incentive – was scheduled to expire

at the end of 2019. With the planned opening of the interchange at Meredith Drive and the Iowa 141 flyover in late 2020, the Council extended the Class A Office Incentive five more years. To qualify, a building permit must be issued for a qualifying project by the end of 2024 and complete by June 2026. For full details, please attend the [Spring Development Luncheon](#) or access information on the [Economic Development website](#).

Urban Loop Updates: 100th Street Construction Video, New Projects and Construction Timelines Map!

The City captured aerial footage each month during the three-year construction of the 100th Street corridor and bridge. The result is a [really cool 90 second video](#) that not only illustrates the opportunity in the Urban Loop but will make you look forward to spring when you see the green grass in the video! We have also added a fifteenth project to the Urban Loop project map – [check it out!](#) Finally, people often ask about the staging of all the interchange, bridge and road projects happening in the Urban Loop area. Fortunately, we've made a [color-coded map](#) to help answer those questions.

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