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## Share your Davenport Riverfront Experience and Vision!

*Help strengthen flood response and open space experiences along Davenport's riverfront*

**DAVENPORT, IOWA (November 9, 2020)** – Following the historic floods of 2019, the City formed a flood task force to examine the issues and make recommendations for moving forward. As a result, the City contracted a flood study to identify possible structural and non-structural enhancements to the City's flood response and defense systems.

Since the Spring of 2020, staff and the consultant have been hard at work evaluating current flood measures and updating elevation data. As part of the holistic approach being used for the study, public input is a critical component for developing options and direction for Davenport's future flood response. As such, stakeholder conversations have started, and public input and engagement opportunities kick-off on Monday, November 9, 2020, with a city-wide survey.

"The City is looking forward to hearing the community's thoughts," stated Public Works Director and Assistant City Administrator, Nicole Gleason. "We encourage property owners, residents, and visitors to help strengthen flood response and Davenport's riverfront experiences by providing input at [www.davenportiowa.com/floodstudy](http://www.davenportiowa.com/floodstudy)." Whether individuals share 50 comments or one, community feedback is valuable to us. It was noted, all input provided is anonymous.

Director Gleason mentioned, "We are also offering several one-on-one opportunities to provide input in this stage of public engagement." Individuals with technical challenges can take the survey at one of our public outreach tables at the following locations, dates, and times.

- Hy-Vee, Rockingham Rd | Friday, Nov 13, Noon to 6 p.m. and Thursday, Nov 19, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Main Branch Library | Wednesday, Nov 18, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursday, Nov 19 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- West Branch Library | Tuesday, Nov 17 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Wednesday, Nov 18, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- East Branch Library | Wednesday, Nov 18 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

- Freight House Farmer's Market | Saturday, Nov 14 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

An overview of what the study entails, timeline, and data are available on the website, [www.davenportiowa.com/floodstudy](http://www.davenportiowa.com/floodstudy).

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### **About DEPARTMENT**

Davenport Public Works manages the fundamental services that protect, sustain and enhance the community. Public Works oversees the streets, signs and signals that aid daily commutes, the systems that collect waste from homes, the programs that protect the health and safety of citizens and the community's environment, and the projects that maintain and allow the City of Davenport to grow. With American Public Works Association (APWA) accreditation, Davenport Public Works demonstrates a commitment to continuous process improvement and best management practices of the fundamental services that provide a good quality of life in Davenport.

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