

\$62.5 million in completed projects, \$108 million of ongoing construction, approval of key local legislation, and continued residential growth headlined the 2017 Downtown Davenport Partnership (DDP) Annual Meeting held in June.

- **Downtown Investment 2016-2017**
 - 6 projects representing \$62.5M of investment completed in the past year
 - 8 projects representing \$108.5M in construction currently underway
 - \$57M+ in planned future projects
 - \$460M+ invested downtown since 2000
 - 17 new, retained or expanded businesses
 - Food & Beverages sales up 7% (\$16.2M total)
 - \$141,000 in DDP grants awarded leveraging \$1.1M in private investment
- **Major Project Milestones**
 - City Square Phase 1 is complete with renovation of historic Parker Building
 - Phase 2 (Putnam Bldg.), now known as The Current Hotel, is under construction
 - Eastern Iowa Community College began construction of its new campus on 3rd Street
 - Completion of two new apartment buildings and the Fire Station renovation
 - Harborview project entering construction phase; several key historic buildings also under construction
- **Legislative & Government Affairs**
 - Approval of Downtown Streetscape Improvement Plan Resolution by City/DDP
 - Resolution addressed the unclear policy regarding streetscape improvements in the public right-of-way downtown
 - Mutually agreed resolution with updated City design guidelines pending
 - Streetlights and right-of-way trees are the responsibility of City
 - Brick systems, conduit, and tree pits are responsibility of DDP
 - Sidewalks/Concrete, ADA accessibility remain responsibility of property owner
 - Property Owners can pay for concrete via assessment & levy over 10 Years at 0%
 - Decorative street lights currently on private electric grid will be converted to public grid
 - DDP Complete Streets Committee makes project priority recommendations, City bids/executes construction, and DDP provides project management assistance
 - Approval of the Food Truck Ordinance by City
 - New State Historic Tax Credit Administrative Rules approved
 - Advocacy for financial support of Historic Tax Credit program and state commercial property tax backfill
- **Residential Report**
 - 1,294 Residential Units now downtown
 - 88 Units built in past year
 - 40 Market Rate, 48 Affordable
 - 216 Market Rate residential units now under construction
 - 102+ units planned in future projects
- **Livability & Physical Environment Improvements**
 - Held meeting with downtown business owners regarding proposed return of two-way traffic on 3rd & 4th Streets. Meeting with downtown residents is pending.
 - Kaiserslautern Square improvements planned for this year
 - Advocated for high-quality execution of RiverVision plan
 - “Welcome to Downtown Davenport” sign to be built at Arsenal Bridge gateway soon
 - Flower baskets (nearly 700 total) and ground plantings added to downtown landscape
 - Exploring “urban garden” concept
- **Culture & Workforce Attraction/Retention**
 - DDP produced River Roots Live, Street Fest, Red White & Boom, and Icestravaganza
 - Icestravaganza attendance up significantly
 - Announced Alternating Currents festival, replacing River Roots Live in 2017
 - Continued growth and national significance of downtown/QC live music scene
 - New retail/restaurant developments highlighted
 - New social media marketing tools and video production utilized by DDP to promote small businesses