

# Reimagining Fire Station 4



**Public Open Houses**  
917 University Avenue



## Help Shape the Future of a Historic Neighborhood Asset

The City of Des Moines' Office of Economic Development is beginning a Request for Proposals (RFP) process for the future reuse of the former Fire Station 4. Recently vacated by the Des Moines Fire Department, this well-maintained, historic building is ready for its next chapter.

Before finalizing the RFP, we're inviting community members to share ideas, priorities, and stories that can help guide what comes next. We're also hoping to hear from neighborhood residents and stakeholders about their broader vision for the area and how the future of this site can support that vision.

### OPEN HOUSE DATES

Tuesday, April 7 | 5pm – 7pm  
Saturday, April 11 | 10am – 12pm

- Tour the historic Fire Station 4 building
- Learn about the upcoming redevelopment process
- Share your ideas for future uses of the building
- Connect with City staff and ask questions
- Contribute neighborhood stories and memories

### ABOUT THE PROPERTY

- Built in 1954
- Building is approximately 8,600 square feet
- Located on a 0.75-acre site with additional parking
- One of the City's older fire stations with a long history of service

### WHAT'S NEXT

Anticipated RFP release: May 2026  
Anticipated submission deadline: Late 2026

Community input gathered during these open houses will directly inform the development of the RFP.

Whether you have a specific idea or are simply curious, we encourage you to stop by and be part of the conversation.

### QUESTIONS?

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