



## BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

**GOVERNMENTAL BODY: BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

**DATE OF MEETING: Monday, December 15, 2025**

**TIME/PLACE OF MEETING: 6:00 P.M. CITY HALL**

### TENTATIVE AGENDA

1. Call to order/Roll call

2. Approval of the 11/26/24 minutes.

3. Consider variance application from Ivan Olson, property located at 405 Dallas Street, De Soto, Iowa; Mr. Olson is asking for a variance to Chapter 69, Parking Regulations, 69.06 Parking Prohibited, (18) Parking Between Curb and Lot Lines (A).

Adjourn

December 15, 2025 Meeting Minutes

The De Soto Board of Adjustment met at 6:02p.m.; Board Members, Don Pierce, Kelly Haugen, Samantha Long present; Steve Jones and Dean Petty absent; City Clerk Thomas present.

Motion by Long/Haugen to approve the 11/26/24 meeting minutes as written; RC: all ayes, Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Olson said he would like to put gravel on the side yard of his property to park vehicles. He said he is grandfathered in because he has had gravel there since he purchased the property in 1992. Last year Mr. Olson had the side yard asphalted and the city made him remove the asphalt; therefore a change was made to his property and he no longer has an existing gravel pad. Chapter 69, Parking Regulations, 69.06 Parking Prohibited, (18) Parking Between Curb and Lot Lines (A), states parking, standing and driving is prohibited on unpaved areas in the front or side yards of property and in the area of the public way lying between the lot lines and edge of the street. Public Works Director Van Langen said the city will be updating our Code of Ordinances in the coming year. Discussion took place; Motion by Pierce to allow Mr. Olson to gravel the side yard area of his property for parking with the understanding that he may have to remove the gravel in the future; No second; More discussion took place; Motion by Pierce/Long to grant Mr. Olson the variance to gravel his side yard area; Long and Pierce in favor; Haugen opposed; Motion carried 2-1. Resident Josh Minton addressed the Board and said the Board of Adjustment may grant a variance provided that an unnecessary hardship exists and no such hardship has been presented tonight; Discussion took place; Motion by Haugen/Long to void the previous motion and not grant the variance until more documentation comes before the board; Haugen, Long, Pierce in favor; Motion carried 3-0. Samantha Long resigned her position on the Board of Adjustment, effective immediately.

With no further business to come before the board at 7:10pm; Long moved seconded by Pierce to adjourn the meeting, RC: all ayes, motion carried.

Board Chair, Don Pierce

Attest:

Marcia Thomas  
Marcia Thomas, City Clerk

