- ✓ In 2009, BusinessWeek named West Des Moines as one of its Top 10 Affordable Suburbs
- ✓ In 2008, building permits of over \$490 million were issued, higher than at any point in the city's 116-year history

- ✓ West Des Moines holds a AAA bond rating, one of only 127 cities nationwide
- ✓ The 2009-10 city budget has high operating reserve balances, reductions in controllable expenses and NO increase in property taxes





66 While West Des Moines has been blessed with tremendous growth, I believe we have managed that growth smartly. We have balanced citizen's needs for new amenities, built the necessary infrastructure to encourage and keep up with growth, expanded park and recreation opportunities, and managed to deliver top notch city services to our residents. And for the taxpayer, all this was accomplished while holding the line on property taxes. ??

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