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The Honorable Ann Campbell, Mayor,  
and Members of the City Council  
of the City of Ames, Iowa

Re: Corrective amendment to Ames Municipal Code Section 23.102(2)(a) - Applications for  
Subdivision approval

Dear Mayor Campbell and Members of the City Council:

Late last summer and fall, four ordinances were passed in succession that made amendments to the review and permitting process for subdivisions and adopted some new definitions applicable in the subdivision code. Because a compilation of these was not done until the end of the calendar year, it was only when that was done that it was determined that several words that had been in one of the earlier ordinances had been omitted from a later passed one. More specifically, an amendment to Section 23.102(2)(a) had been adopted which added three words to clarify that permits could not be issued for "construction, enlargement, or expansion" of a principal building without compliance with that chapter. A later passed ordinance inadvertently dropped the words "expansion, enlargement, or expansion" from that phrase.

Attached is an ordinance that would correct this omission by putting three words which were inadvertently deleted back into this provision of the code.

We would recommend that you adopt this correction. I would invite any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Judy K. Parks  
Assistant City Attorney

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Attachment