

**TO:** The Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

**FROM:** Michael C. Van Milligen, City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Bee Branch Watershed Flood Mitigation Project, HUD National Disaster Resilience Competition Grant, Infrastructure Contract

**DATE:** October 24, 2016

City Engineer Gus Psihoyos recommends City Council approval to enter into a contract with the Iowa Economic Development Authority in order for the City to utilize \$23,309,600 in Community Development Block Grant Program Disaster Recovery-National Disaster Resiliency funds for the Bee Branch Watershed Flood Mitigation Project. Gus Psihoyos further recommends adjusting the funding schedule for the various phases of the Bee Branch Watershed Flood Mitigation Project through the Capital Improvement Program budget process.

The infrastructure improvements are as follows:

1. Bee Branch Railroad Culvert Infrastructure Improvements involving the installation of culverts from the Lower Bee Branch Creek, through Canadian Pacific Railway property, to the Upper Bee Branch north of Garfield Avenue;
2. 22nd Street/Kaufmann Ave Storm Sewer Improvements involving the installation of a large diameter storm sewer from 22nd & Elm up Kaufmann Avenue to the Kaufmann & Kane intersection. The work includes inlets and local sewer connections to the storm sewer and the complete reconstruction of the street and other underground utilities along street right-of-way corridor.
3. 17<sup>th</sup> Street/W. Locust Street Storm Sewer Improvements involving the installation of a 96-inch diameter pipe from the Lower Bee Branch Creek through the Canadian Pacific Railway tracks to 17<sup>th</sup> Street then to the west along 17<sup>th</sup> Street and finally west along W. Locust Street towards Angella St. The work includes inlets and local sewer connections to the storm sewer and the complete reconstruction of the street and other underground utilities along street right-of-way corridor.

I concur with the recommendation and respectfully request Mayor and City Council approval.

  
Michael C. Van Milligen

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Attachment

cc: Crenna Brumwell, City Attorney  
Cindy Steinhauser, Assistant City Manager  
Teri Goodman, Assistant City Manager  
Gus Psihoyos, City Engineer