

TO: Michael C Van Milligen, City Manager
FROM: Alvin Nash, Housing & Community Development Director
DATE: March 21, 2018
RE: Work session for National Disaster Resiliency Grant Update

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information for the work session on the progress of the National Disaster Resiliency Grant scheduled for April 2, 2018. During the work session we will cover the progress of the Bee Branch Healthy Homes program as well as the NDR Resiliency infrastructure improvements funded by the grant.

BACKGROUND

In January 2016, the State was awarded \$95.7 million in U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) National Disaster Resiliency Competition grant funds. Per the award, the City of Dubuque is to receive \$8.4 million for a comprehensive Bee Branch Healthy Homes Resiliency Program (BBHH) to help residents address residual impacts from the flooding experienced within the Bee Branch Watershed. The City also received \$23.3 million for storm water infrastructure improvements associated with the Bee Branch Watershed Flood Mitigation Project. All construction must be complete by June 30, 2021.

DISCUSSION

Agenda for work session to be:

- 1) General overview of NDR competition, State of Iowa application and where Dubuque's project fits in to the Iowa Watershed Approach
- 2) Overview of Infrastructure improvements:
 - a. Railroad Culverts
 - b. 22nd Street Storm Sewer
 - c. 17th Street Storm Sewer
- 3) Bee Branch Healthy Homes Resiliency Program (BBHH)
 - a. Eligibility for programming
 - b. Housing Repair projects
 - c. Home advocacy component

Background information on the project will be provided for the work session as attachment.

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