

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Michael C. Van Milligen, City Manager
SUBJECT: City of Dubuque Storm Drain Mural Pilot Project
DATE: July 9, 2019

Bee Branch Project Communications Specialist Kristin Hill recommends City Council approval of a City of Dubuque Storm Drain Mural Pilot Project in the Bee Branch Watershed to help educate the public of the direct connection between storm drains and local water quality.

The pilot will include a call for artists to submit designs and paint murals on three storm drains located in high foot traffic areas in the Bee Branch Watershed. The project will be open to all artists/artist groups including school groups and individual students. Preference will be given to local artists. When designing artwork, artists will be encouraged to consider the following themes:

- Stormwater Pollution: Only rain down the storm drain.
- Environmental Protection: The importance of clean water.
- Local Ecosystems: Wildlife habitats and natural beauty.

Upon project completion, the artist will receive a \$500 stipend for each mural painted. Funds have been identified for this \$1,500.

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
Teri Goodmann, Assistant City Manager
Cori Burbach, Assistant City Manager
Kristin Hill, Bee Branch Project Communications Specialist