



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA - City Manager

DATE OF MEETING: November 13, 2023

ITEM TITLE: Wapsi Watershed Contribution

BACKGROUND:

As discussed during the Nov. 6th City Council Work Session, a request has been presented to provide additional funding for the Upper Wapsipinicon River Watershed Management Authority (UWRWMA) for FY2024. The original request was for \$600.

DISCUSSION:

The new request is for an increase of \$4,400 as discussed at the Work Session. John Kurtz, UWRWMA Board Chair was there to answer questions and explained what the money would be utilized for, which was to help pay for the costs of employing the Wapsi WMA Coordinators, who work to obtain grants and other funding as well as help oversee the program.

RESULTS:

The City has established priorities during strategic planning sessions. This item supports the Vision from that session of Developing and Reviving Independence. This item helps achieve that vision by supporting the continued review and development of the Wapsipinicon River as a natural resource for the Community and for years to come.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

Funds for this request will be sourced from the Storm Water fees that are collected from residents.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends a motion to authorize a claim in the amount of \$4,400.00 be added to the claims listing payable to Northeast Iowa RC&D.