



## CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA - City Manager

**DATE OF MEETING:** February 2, 2026

**ITEM TITLE:** Art Across Indee Update – Dam Lighting

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### DISCUSSION:

As I have worked with the Art Across Indee group, one of the projects we identified was installing lighting at the Wapsipinicon Mill Dam (just north of 1st Street) to enhance the area's ambiance overnight.

I met with MUSCO Lighting, which provided quotes for this project in 2023. It also included lighting the Mill. Attached is a quote for lighting only for the Dam, along with images showing what it could look like.

Additionally, MUSCO staff informed me that lighting the Mill itself would cost \$45,000 for white lighting and \$55,000 for color-changing lighting.

**It's important to note that the Art Across Indee group is not asking the City Council to fund this; it plans to raise funds to complete the project. If the City would like to start with a smaller donation, it could help future fundraising efforts.**

### RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends discussion of this topic. No action is needed at this meeting, as any decision items needed would be brought forward to a City Council meeting for approval.