



CITY OF NOVI CITY COUNCIL
MAY 6, 2024

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution seeking reimbursement from Oakland County for expenses associated with the City of Novi's annual Mosquito Control Program.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Department of Public Works, Field Operations Division

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Department of Public Works continues to work with Oakland County Health Division officials to identify and destroy mosquito habitats to prevent the spread of the West Nile Virus (and, incidentally, the Zika Virus). By participating in the County's program, DPW's Field Operations Division has been effectively treating catch basins and standing water areas with chemical pesticide briquettes. The briquettes are distributed annually in late spring and are effective for 180 days.

County health officials continue to emphasize the importance of public education on mosquito control, early source reduction, and strong personal protection measures. City staff promote public awareness of these topics on the City's website, at homeowner association meetings, and at City events.

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners has approved this year's reimbursement for West Nile Virus expenses incurred by cities, villages, and townships (CVT). Each qualifying CVT receives funds according to a formula established by the County (75% for populations/25% for total square miles). This year the City's reimbursement will be \$9,092.68. The cost to purchase the required amount of chemical briquettes was \$14,747.04, for a difference of \$5,654.36, which was expensed against the Drain Fund.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adoption of Resolution seeking reimbursement from Oakland County for expenses associated with the City of Novi's annual Mosquito Control Program.