

ITEM #: 17
DATE: 12-10-24
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COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO IOWAY CREEK-BROOKSIDE WATER QUALITY GRANT AGREEMENT

BACKGROUND:

The City was awarded a \$100,000 grant by the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (IDALS) for the 2019/20 Stormwater Erosion Control Program (Ioway Creek- Brookside Water Quality Project). **City Council approved the original agreement on April 12, 2022, with a completion date of December 31, 2023 and a one year extension was granted to December 24, 2024. With delays in easement acquisition and permitting, a request for a second extension to December 31, 2026 has been approved by IDALS and is included in the attached amendment.**

The grant will assist with construction of a water quality oxbow as part of the overall project that will treat storm water runoff from the existing storm sewers. This runoff currently runs untreated directly into Ioway Creek. The oxbow will greatly improve water quality conditions from the existing neighborhood runoff on the east side of creek.

The report of bids and award of contract are under a separate item on this December 10, 2024, agenda. Construction is anticipated to commence in spring 2025 with anticipated completion in early 2026.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship Funding Agreement for the Ioway Creek-Brookside Water Quality Project revising the completion date to December 31, 2026.
2. Reject the amendment and allow the agreement to expire.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approval of this agreement with the IDALS must happen before moving forward with construction of this project in the 2025 construction season. Delay or rejection of this amendment to the agreement would result in additional local funding being required. **Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as noted above.**

ATTACHMENT(S):

[Ioway Creek Revised Mitigation Plan \(002\).jpg](#)
[WQI EXTENSION AMENDMENT #2.docx](#)