

Resolution No. 16-1170

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WALNUT CREEK
WATERSHED MASTER PLAN**

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Code of Iowa Chapter 28E, the City of Windsor Heights entered into an agreement in that established a watershed management authority for Walnut Creek; and

WHEREAS, watershed management authorities are a mechanism for cities, counties Soil and Water Conservation Districts and stakeholders to cooperatively engage in watershed planning and management;

WHEREAS, the watershed management authority has pursued the development of a comprehensive master plan that established a vision for engaging residents working across political boundaries to create and sustain a healthy watershed; and

WHEREAS, the watershed management authority held numerous open house sessions, stakeholder meetings, and other public engagement activities throughout the course of development of the master plan that has allowed the public to engage in the development of the master plan and review the draft master plan document; and

WHEREAS, the Staff and City Council of the City of Windsor Heights has reviewed the draft master plan document and agrees with the recommendations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINDSOR HEIGHTS, IOWA:

That the City Council hereby approves the Walnut Creek Watershed Master Plan, finding that it provides an acceptable guide for improvements to flood mitigation, water quality, natural resource protection, and recreation while maintaining economic health for all within the Walnut Creek Watershed. Furthermore, staff is directed to begin integrating the recommendations found within the Master Plan into the City's planning and development.

Passed and Approved, this 21st day of November, 2016.

Diana Willits, Mayor

Attest:

Marcia Woodke, City Clerk