

2.03: Pollinator Protection Opportunities

City Planner Anderson reviewed the staff report.

Mayor Strommen stated that the City has a lot of area and not all of that can be mowed. She commented on the high level of water consumption, especially when living on the sand plain. She believed that it would be beneficial for the City to do their part in the protection of pollinators.

Councilmember Kuzma asked if there is information on the website and if people could call into City Hall to have someone come out to their property and assist.

City Planner Anderson stated that the City does not currently have anything on the website advertising any of the programs that are available.

Mayor Strommen stated that she would not want to create a lot of additional work for staff. She stated that the Environmental Policy Board (EPB) and Parks and Recreation Commission could work to develop resources that could be posted on the website.

Councilmember Shryock stated that there are a lot of great websites out there and agreed that it would be beneficial for the City to develop a list of links to those appropriate sources.

Parks and Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood stated that one part of the Mayors for Monarchs program is to have a demonstration project and citizen science component. He noted that there is already a consortium of entities that provide the information and the City could simply provide the link to those organizations.

The consensus of the Council was to forward the Mayors to Monarchs program to the Environmental Policy Board and the Parks and Recreation Commission.