



Takoma Park City Council Meeting – February 8, 2023 Agenda Item 3

Presentation

Stormwater Management Program Overview

Recommended Council Action

Receive the presentation

Context with Key Issues

The City of Takoma Park has managed the Stormwater system since gaining ownership from the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission in 1988. The stormwater infrastructure is over 100 years old and has been expanded and improved over time. The purpose of the system is to provide safe conveyance of stormwater and protect property, as well as streets and bridges, and to enhance water quality to our area creeks and streams. In 1996 the City established the Stormwater Utility Fee to provide a dedicated source of funding for the program. The presentation will provide an overview of the City's Stormwater Management program, past and current projects, system infrastructure, regulatory requirements and funding structure.

Council Priority

Environmentally Sustainable Community; Fiscally Responsible Government

Environmental Considerations

All stormwater management programs are funded through revenue generated by the Stormwater Utility Fee. These programs include the maintenance of existing systems as well as the construction of new capacity, infiltration and treatment facilities for stormwater management. These programs are mandated by State and Federal law.

Racial Equity Considerations

The management of the City's stormwater infrastructure affects all areas of the City. The City Council previously amended the utility fee to address inequities in the flat fee structure and implement a more equitable one. System mapping shows the location of existing infrastructure and although the system covers all wards in the City, future projects will look to add system capacity in areas determined to be underserved.

Fiscal Considerations

The Stormwater Utility Fee funds all activities the City undertakes for the management and treatment of stormwater.

Attachments and Links

- Stormwater Management Presentation