

Introduced by: Councilmember Small

First Reading: May 8, 2024

Second Reading: May 15, 2024

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT
BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025, BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024
AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025**

WHEREAS, Section 1101 of the Charter of the City of Takoma Park designates the City Council as the Stormwater Management Board for Takoma Park with all of the powers associated therewith; and

WHEREAS, Section 21-625 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland authorizes the adoption of a stormwater management utility fee system or user charges for stormwater management programs by the City; and

WHEREAS, Section 1106 of the Charter of the City of Takoma Park empowers the Stormwater Management Board to charge and to collect stormwater utility fees and user charges to pay for stormwater management activities in the City; and

WHEREAS, the Stormwater Management Board desires to maintain a Stormwater Management Fund for the collection and payment of revenues and expenditures as it deems necessary to provide for the construction, maintenance, operations, and repair of the stormwater management system in the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT BOARD OF
THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:**

SECTION 1. For Fiscal Year 2025, a Stormwater Management fee shall be imposed on real property based on the revised the fee structure established in Fiscal Year 2022. All properties will be billed using the same fee structure. The fee has a base rate of \$25 per 500 square feet of impervious surface, calculated to be an amount sufficient to fund the Stormwater Management expenditures established by this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. A Stormwater Management Fund shall be maintained into which shall be deposited:

- a) All the receipts and revenues from user charges and utility fees imposed by the City to pay for stormwater management;
- b) All charges, fees, fees-in-lieu, grants, and other contributions received from any person or governmental entity in connection with stormwater management activities or programs.

SECTION 3. The budget attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof is hereby adopted for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025.

Said budget provides for an appropriation in the amount of \$779,040 for stormwater management activities.

SECTION 4. Stormwater management projects that are declared to be of an emergency nature as defined by the City Council in accordance with the Charter of the City of Takoma Park may be funded through the Emergency Reserve or other monies as designated by the City Council.

SECTION 5. Should any section of this Ordinance be determined to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other sections.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall be effective July 1, 2024.

Adopted by roll-call vote this 15th day of May, 2024 as follows:

AYES:	Searcy, Fulcher, Dyballa, Gibson, Seamens, Honzak, Small
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Stormwater Management Fund Summary

	<u>Audited</u> <u>FY21</u>	<u>Audited</u> <u>FY22</u>	<u>Audited</u> <u>FY23</u>	<u>Adjusted</u> <u>FY24</u>	<u>Projected</u> <u>FY24</u>	<u>Adopted</u> <u>FY25</u>	<u>Change</u> <u>Proj FY24-25</u>	<u>%Change</u> <u>Proj FY24-25</u>
<u>REVENUES</u>								
Taxes and utility fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	15,290	5,331	2,203	2,500	2,500	2,500	-	0.0%
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Use of money and property	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for service	580,508	746,369	773,713	775,500	772,400	772,500	100	0.0%
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	0.0%
Miscellaneous	2,350	5,171	2,350	0	-	-	-	0.0%
Total Revenues	598,148	756,871	778,266	778,000	774,900	775,000	100	0.0%
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>								
Public Works	392,447	552,760	423,223	669,781	664,084	549,040	(115,044)	-17.2%
Capital outlay	5,997	143,098	590,840	433,000	433,000	230,000	(203,000)	-46.9%
Total Expenditures	398,444	695,858	1,014,063	1,102,781	1,097,084	779,040	(318,044)	-28.8%
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	199,704	61,013	(235,797)	(324,781)	(322,184)	(4,040)	318,144	-98.0%
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</u>								
Loan proceeds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating transfers in (out)	-	65,000	-	-	-	-	-	-100%
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	65,000	-	-	-	-	-	-100%
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing use	199,704	126,013	(235,797)	(324,781)	(322,184)	(4,040)	318,144	98.0%
<u>FUND BALANCE</u>								
Beginning of year	393,893	593,597	719,610	483,813	483,813	161,629	(322,184)	-66.6%
End of year	593,597	719,610	483,813	159,032	161,629	157,589	(1,443)	-0.9%

Note: Beginning Fiscal Year 2022, stormwater fee will be recalculated to support the increase project costs