

Introduced by: Councilmember Robinson

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION #2011 - 11

Resolution Supporting the Payment of Stormwater Fees by Governmental Entities

WHEREAS, the State of Maryland allows municipalities to establish stormwater utilities to manage stormwater facilities and services, including installation and maintenance of storm drains, inlets and ditches; and

WHEREAS, stormwater utility fees are assessed on properties, based on the amount of impervious surface on the property which affects the actual contribution to stormwater runoff; and

WHEREAS, governmental bodies have been exempt from paying stormwater fees under Maryland law, but the properties they own also contribute to stormwater runoff; and

WHEREAS, the Takoma Park City Council feels that it is appropriate that all governmental entities should pay stormwater utility fees on the properties they own in Maryland to the jurisdiction responsible for stormwater management.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Takoma Park urges the Maryland General Assembly to support legislation removing the governmental exemption from stormwater utility fees from the Maryland Code.

ADOPTED THIS 14TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2011.

ATTEST:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk