

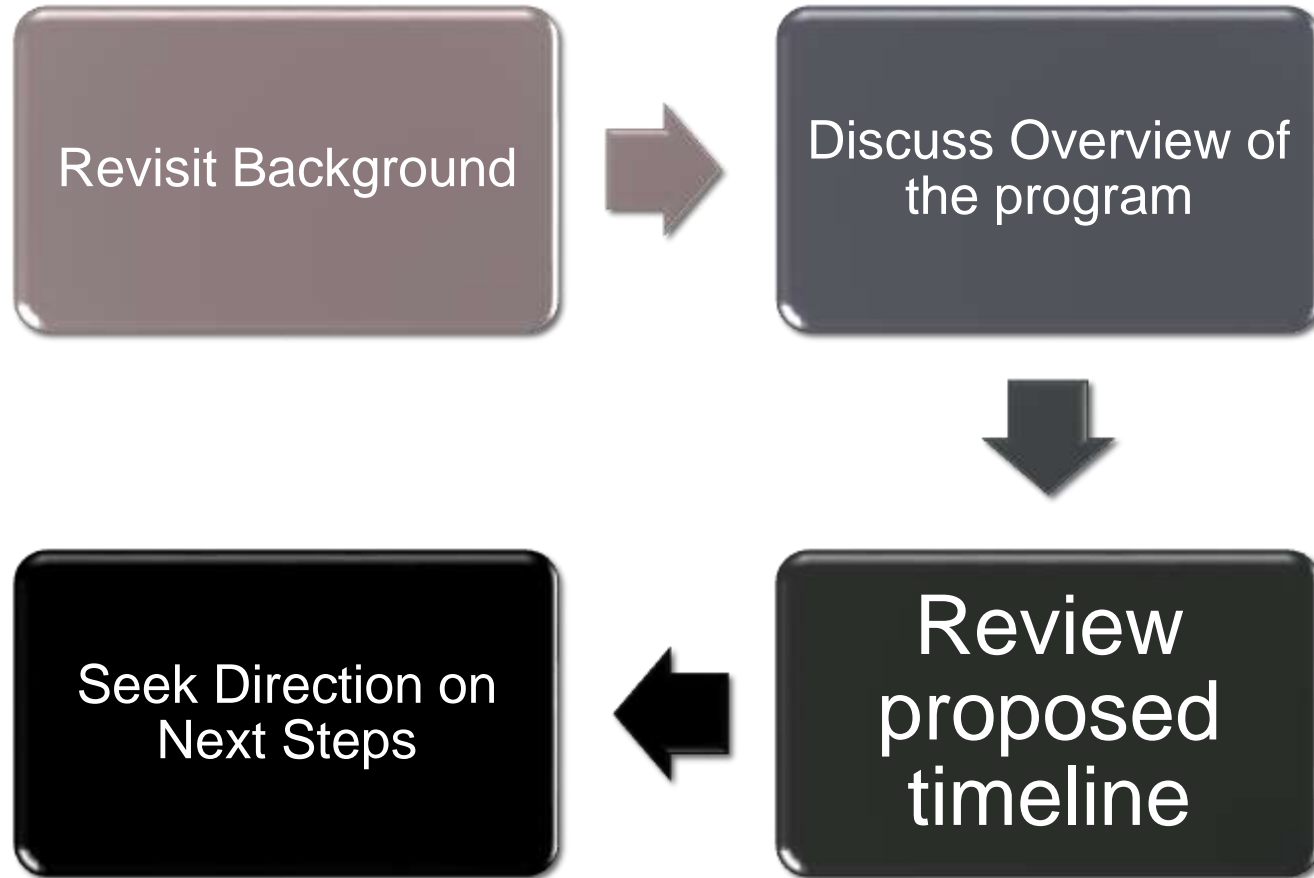


# Stormwater Utility Fee

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PRESENTED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

# Agenda



# Purpose and Background

# Council Direction

Proceed with development of a Stormwater Utility and fee with:

- Base rate not to exceed \$8 per ERU per month
- Tiered residential structure
- Capital component
- Additional drainage crew
- Religious institutions receive 75% discount, or not to exceed \$2.00 per ERU.



# Program Funding

Generates \$3.7M - \$4.1M annually

- Conservative Revenue Estimate: \$3,700,000 (*dependent on collection rate*)
- New Crew (1 Supervisor + 3 Workers): \$405,340
- Equipment: \$560,420
- Equipment Contribution (20% annual reserve): \$112,084
- Year 1 Operational Expenses: \$762,156
- Existing activity expenses and program administration: \$1,860,000
- Debt service for up to \$20M in capital projects would begin in year two collections.



# Outreach Campaign



Fall/Winter 2026 outreach summary:

- 26,000+ residents reached
- 38,000+ digital views
- 19 social posts
- 3 newsletters
- Town halls / stakeholder meetings
- Direct outreach to industry, religious institutions

With guidance from the Finance Committee and City Council, staff will move into a final public outreach phase following the June 15<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting, leading into consideration during the September budget adoption process.

# Notice Requirements and Next Steps



This schedule:

- Staff will initiate a public outreach campaign in summer 2026 in advance of the required public notice and hearing process.
- In early August, notice will be submitted to a newspaper of general circulation to satisfy statutory notice requirements for the September public hearings.
- State law requires the public hearing notice to be published three times, including publication of the full ordinance text.

# Requested Action



Staff requests Finance Committee direction to proceed with establishing the stormwater utility budget framework for consideration during the FY 2027 budget adoption process.

# Questions / Discussion

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