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## Agenda Memo

Crest Hill, IL

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<b>Meeting Date:</b>	January 26, 2026
<b>Submitter:</b>	Blaine Wing, City Administrator
<b>Department:</b>	Administration
<b>Agenda Item:</b>	Discussion of Known Storm Drainage Issue Areas in Crest Hill

**Summary:** Council member Mark Cipiti requested this topic be brought up for discussion.

Shortly after I started working for the City of Crest Hill, I was informed of a few storm water areas that residents have complained about flooding, high vegetation, and some animal issues. I was informed that the City had addressed these issues in the past and it was determined that the City was not the owner of most of it, except a portion directly under the road. Legal, Engineering, Public Works, and Administration all had documentation. I had staff review the past records, some of which I am attaching. Others, I am not, as it was from our attorney and I will allow him to choose what he can disclose.

Later in the summer, while the City was still trying to obtain a contractor and pricing, the City received substantial rainfall, and residents contacted the City because of flooding and at least one because of property damage. I filled a claim with our insurance (SWARM) and connected a resident directly with the claim adjusters. While that might address the immediate situation, I continued to press staff to come up with possible long-term solutions and/or options. As of last week, staff (Public Works, Engineering, Legal, and Administration) do not yet have recommendations.

**Recommended Council Action:** Further discussion with recommendations to be brought to City Council by March 23, 2026.

**Financial Impact:**

**Funding Source:** General Fund

**Budgeted Amount:** None

**Cost:** Unknown