Stormwater Enforcement Code Updates

Sections 12-206, 20-639, and 20-567



Background

- The City of Greeley's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit is mandated by the EPA and administered by the Colorado Department of Health and Environment.
- Under the permit, enforcement provisions are required for:
 - Construction sites
 - Post-construction (oversight and maintenance of permanent infrastructure)
 - Illicit discharges



Background

- In 2019, stormwater code underwent comprehensive revisions to ensure regulatory compliance, which included enforcement provisions
- In early 2022, CAO notified Public Works that enforcement language adopted in 2019 had several crucial errors
 - The section outlining misdemeanor infractions referenced administrative hearing procedures, which nullified both methods of enforcement
 - o A section of code had been redacted that Public Works relied on for permit compliance



Proposed Code Amendments

- Separate administrative hearing and misdemeanor procedures
- Establish basis for misdemeanor infractions
 - Ignoring a stop work order
 - Egregious spills causing harm to the community and environment
- Recodify relevant sections of redacted code that PW had been relying since 2019
 - Administrative sanctions
 - Injunctive relief
 - Access of properties



Council's Recommendation Action

A motion to adopt the ordinance amending Title 12 regarding Greeley's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System.

Questions?

