



Storm Water Commission  
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## MINUTES OF THE STORMWATER COMMISSION July 2, 2024

**Call to Order.** The forty-fifth meeting of the Stormwater Commission (Commission) was called to order at 3:42 PM by Chair Todd Thompson.

- 1. Attendance-Roll Call.** The following Commission members were present at the Community Center: Susan Armstrong, Garry Aronberg, Phillip Eastin, Mark Holly, Bob Criss, Todd Thompson. Also, in attendance were Dennis Fuller, Councilman; Mirela Celaj, Assistant Director of Public Works; John Mulligan, City Attorney. Commissioner Eric Karch and Darin Girdler, Director of Public Works, could not attend.

Visitors: Connie Fry.

- 2. Agenda.** Published agenda was approved by voice vote (moved by Criss, second by Aronberg):  
Attendance-Roll Call; Approval of Agenda; Approval of Minutes; Citizen Comments; Announcements by Commissioners; Committee Reports; New Business; Old Business; Council Liaison Comments; Adjournment.
- 3. Minutes.** The minutes of the June 4, 2024, meeting were approved by voice vote (Holly, Armstrong).
- 4. Citizen Comments.**
  - Visitor Connie Fry urged City to adopt more extensive flood control projects.
- 5. Announcement By Commissioners.**
  - Mr. Holly reported that a Washington University class under Dr. Potter is evaluating sensors for River des Peres as a class project for information network design.
- 6. Committee Reports**
  - a. Monitoring Subcommittee report by Commissioners.** Eastin and Criss:
    - i. Locations for cameras and water surface elevation sensors have been identified.
    - ii. Sub-committee recommended that the City budget for monitoring be \$32,000 to continue current monitoring and currently planned improvements at Tunnel and Hafner Court Apartments.
    - iii. Meet with Mr. Sandal, a vendor of river data and data gathering and University City resident. Mr. Sandal has interesting river monitoring components such as solar powered cameras and video equipment. The subcommittee (Commissioners Criss, Eastin, and Karch) will explore Mr. Sandal's equipment and services further.
  - b. Ad Hoc Committee to develop and ordinance to address impervious area additions.** Sub-committed discussed important points of the suggested Code changes:
    - i. The sub-committee (Commissioners Armstrong, Karch, Aronberg, Asst PW Director Celaj) discussed a flatwork permit as part of the implementation of the impervious area control. 100 SF has been suggested as a trigger for requiring a permit. Staff will examine workload impacts on that trigger and consider adopting a 200 SF trigger.
    - ii. Requirement for impervious addition mitigation need not be the same as permit application.
- 7. New Business**
  - a.** PW Director Girdler passed along an invitation by City Manager Rose for Commission to meet with the Council at the Work Session of September 9. The commissioners accepted the invitation and will



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brief the Council on recent activities of the Commission and future storm water needs.

**8. Old Business.**

- a. PW Director Girdler reported that MSD's tunnel cleaning is continuing.

**9. Council Liaison Comments.**

- a. Councilman Fuller reported St Louis County Highway engineer is meeting with City officials concerning street drainage and inlet bypass at the southeast corner of Midland and Amhurst.

**10. Adjournment.** Motion to adjourn passed at 5:25 PM.

**Minutes Preparation.** The minutes were prepared by Garry Aronberg.