Reply to Common Council File No. 200730 From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File Number 200730 contains a resolution adopting the 2021 Stormwater Fee.

Section 309-54 5.c of the Code of Ordinances requires the Common Council to adopt a Stormwater Management Charge on an annual basis.

The 2021 proposed Stormwater Management Charge revenue is \$38,809,680. This is an increase from the 2020 budget of \$36,685,114 by \$2,124,566. The 2021 proposed stormwater management charge per quarter per equivalent residential unit (ERU) will increase 4%, or \$0.89, from \$22.30 to \$23.19. The annual impact of the rate increase is estimated to be \$3.56 for the typical residential user, increasing the annual fee from \$88.20 to \$91.76. The rate increase is necessary for the increasing debt service costs of an improved sewer replacement cycle and the increasing costs of forestry operations that support the operation and maintenance of the sewer system.

RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT THE 2021 LOCAL STORMWATER CHARGE.

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