

Presentation To Public Service Committee of City Council



City of Zanesville, Ohio

Monday September 10, 2018

5:00pm

Zanesville's Stormwater Challenges

- Address the lack of dedicated funding for stormwater activities (which will also free up funds for roadway & other improvement projects)
- Address Federal unfunded mandates (EPA NPDES Phase II permit regulations)
- Address water pollution (local lakes / rivers / streams / ditches)
- Address flooding and drainage problems
- Protect the environment
- Failure to meet regulations could result in large fines and/or criminal charges
- Inadequate staffing and equipment



Ohio EPA NPDES Phase II Water Quality Regulations

6 Minimum Control Measures

- Public Education & Outreach
- Public Participation/Involvement
- Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
- Construction Site Runoff Control
- Post Construction Runoff Control
- Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

Why NPDES Compliance is a Serious Matter

- NPDES permits are federally enforceable



• compliance =

- Administrative Penalty Order - up to \$ 125,000
- Civil Violations - up to \$25,000 per day per violation
- Jail terms for negligent or knowing violations, false statements, or knowingly endangering a person

- Section 505 – leaves communities vulnerable to federal lawsuits

Benefits of a Stormwater Utility

- **Establishes a dedicated funding source for stormwater**
- “User Fee” for Service – Not a Tax
- Creates a better decision-making and prioritization process
- Based on a legally defensible process with a proven track record
- Fee is based on contribution to runoff
- No new bureaucracy
- Comprehensive watershed approach
- Business plan based program
 - Defined level of service
 - Cost of service based rate
- A separate enterprise fund will be established to deposit stormwater fees



Stormwater Utility Program Implementation Study Overview

- Established a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
- Developed Stormwater Business Plan to Guide the Process
 - Mission Statement
“To manage stormwater in Zanesville in an efficient, effective and financially responsible manner.”
 - Calculated a “required minimum” level of service / cost of service analysis / rate study / cash flow analyses
- Developed Program Policies / Procedures
- Measured Impervious Areas and created stormwater billing system database
- Developed program ordinance / legal document
- Developed credit program
- Create and meet with SWAC (Storm Water Advisory Committee)
- Present final results to city council

ERU Determination

- The size of the ERU is based on a random sample of 400 residential properties used to measure hard surfaces (impervious area)
- The measured average of 2,300 square feet of impervious area is equivalent to 1 ERU
- All residential properties will be assigned 1 ERU
- All non-residential properties will be measured for impervious area – ERUs calculated
- Example: 11,500 sq. feet of impervious surface area divided by 2,300 = 5 ERUs

Capital Projects To Be Funded

PROJECT NAME	LENGTH	COST
Slago Run Culvert	500'	\$3,000,000
Wayne & Arcadia Culvert	200'	\$250,000
Alfred Street Reconstruction	800'	\$500,000
Norval Park Storm Sewers	1700'	\$600,000
Chamberlin, Eppley, Talley Drainage	1300'	\$450,000
Hudson Storm Sewer	400'	\$150,000
Spangler Box Culvert	60'	\$100,000
Main Street Storm Rehab	600'	\$260,000
Sheridan Storm Sewer	550'	\$250,000
Hoge, Norwood, Armco Drainage	1650'	\$600,000
Taylor Drainage	2800'	\$150,000
Brandywine Storm Sewer	400'	\$100,000
South Calvert Drainage	500'	\$150,000
Muskingum Avenue Drainage	1400'	\$210,000
		TOTAL \$6,770,000

Credits Program Recommendations

- 4 Water Quantity Credit Options
- 4 Water Quality Credit Options
- 1 Watershed Stewardship Credit Option
- 4 Other Credit Options
 - ❖ Regional Residential Credit
 - ❖ Industrial NPDES Permit
 - ❖ Gravel Credit
 - ❖ Education Credit



Rate Study / Cash Flow Analyses

- 5-year annual average cost of service expenses of \$3,000,000
- With approximately 370,000 ERUs
 - Single Family Residential ERU's - 98,000
 - Non Residential ERU's – 276,000
- Cost escalation and inflation factors per year including credits program- 15.50%



TAC - 5 Year Rate Plan

Water Quality	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	5 Year Average
Rate	\$3.01	\$3.77	\$4.01	\$4.19	\$4.53	\$3.90

Water Quantity	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	5 Year Average
Rate	\$2.96	\$3.76	\$4.03	\$4.23	\$4.84	\$3.96

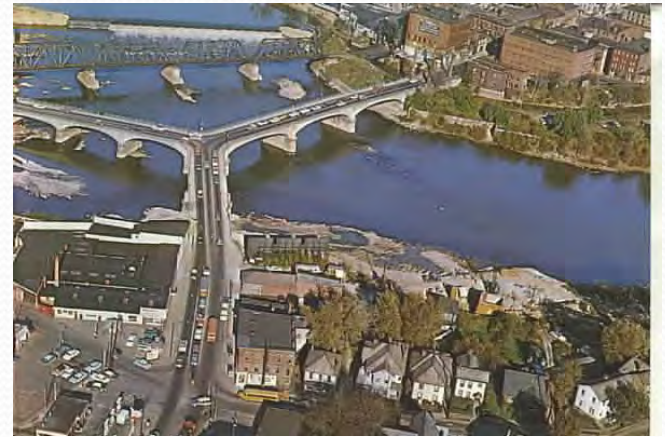
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	5 Year Average
Rate	\$5.97	\$7.53	\$8.04	\$8.43	\$9.37	\$7.87

TAC - 5 Year Rate Plan

Total Adjusted Cash Flow	Year 1 - 2019	Year 2 - 2020	Year 3 - 2021	Year 4 - 2022	Year 5 - 2023	5 Year Average
Water Quality	\$11,550	\$71,280	\$78,370	\$102,413	\$103,961	\$73,515
Maintenance	\$1,010,578	\$1,280,346	\$1,233,543	\$1,226,927	\$1,564,895	\$1,263,258
Public Service	\$242,571	\$464,986	\$643,584	\$593,180	\$648,219	\$518,508
CIP	\$639,177	\$700,921	\$704,982	\$923,834	\$927,962	\$779,375
Capital Equipment	\$58,732	\$59,730	\$60,746	\$60,709	\$61,741	\$60,331
Debt Service	\$274,009	\$274,009	\$353,363	\$347,244	\$347,244	\$319,174
Total	\$2,236,616	\$2,851,271	\$3,074,588	\$3,254,307	\$3,654,021	\$3,014,161

Storm Water Advisory Committee (SWAC) Recommendations

- Comprised of 15 key stakeholders representing community groups and City of Zanesville residents
 - 2 city council member representatives
 - Hospital representative
 - Small business owner representative
 - Residential / Neighborhood representative
 - Large shopping mall representative
 - Church representatives
 - Ohio University representative
 - County fair representative
 - Developer representative
 - Environmental riverway advocacy group
- Developed five year rate plan based on TAC rate recommended plan



SWAC - 5 Year Rate Plan

Water Quality	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	5 Year Average
Rate	\$3.28	\$3.49	\$3.60	\$3.61	\$3.80	\$3.56
Water Quantity	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	5 Year Average
Rate	\$3.22	\$3.26	\$3.40	\$3.65	\$3.70	\$3. 45
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	5 Year Average
Rate	\$6.50	\$6.75	\$7.00	\$7.25	\$7.50	\$7.00

SWAC - 5 Year Rate Plan

Total Adjusted Cash Flow	Year 1 - 2019	Year 2 - 2020	Year 3 - 2021	Year 4 - 2022	Year 5 - 2023	5 Year Average
Water Quality	\$11,550	\$71,280	\$78,370	\$102,413	\$103,961	\$73,515
Maintenance	\$1,010,578	\$1,113,766	\$1,043,987	\$1,206,794	\$1,197,011	\$1,114,427
Public Service	\$242,571	\$464,986	\$643,584	\$593,180	\$648,219	\$518,508
CIP	\$840,147	\$571,561	\$494,772	\$490,264	\$654,762	\$592,301
Capital Equipment	\$58,732	\$59,730	\$60,746	\$60,709	\$61,741	\$60,331
Debt Service	\$274,009	\$274,009	\$353,363	\$347,244	\$347,244	\$319,174
Total	\$2,236,616	\$2,851,271	\$3,074,588	\$3,254,307	\$3,654,021	\$2,678,256

Other Stormwater Utility Fees

♦ Ironton, OH	\$14.55
♦ Oak Harbor, OH	\$8.00
♦ Lancaster, OH*	\$7.64
♦ Newark, OH*	\$6.95
♦ Milford, OH*	\$5.50
♦ Lima, OH*	\$5.27
♦ Dayton, OH	\$5.03
♦ Trenton, OH	\$5.00
♦ Sheffield Lake, OH	\$4.85
♦ Wooster, OH	\$4.80
♦ Troy, OH	\$4.65
♦ Columbus, OH*	\$4.60
♦ Creston, OH	\$4.50
♦ Wadsworth, OH	\$4.50
♦ Oberlin, OH*	\$4.25
♦ Lucas County, OH*	\$4.06
♦ Canton, OH	\$4.00
♦ Elmore, OH	\$3.50
♦ Franklin, OH	\$3.50
♦ Ashland, OH	\$3.50



* Hull/ERC Team has assisted over 15 Ohio communities with a stormwater fee

** Over 100 communities in Ohio with stormwater utility fee

Relief of Funds

- 5 Year Average General Fund Relief - \$1,221,000
- 5 Year Average Sewer Fund Relief - \$418,000



Public Education Program

- Held 3 SWAC meetings for input and recommendations
- Developed a set of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) to be posted on the City website at www.coz.org/stormwater
- Developed a letter for the top 100 stormwater contributors to be mailed out by the City in September 2018
- Schedule meetings with the top stormwater contributors as needed



Remaining Project Schedule

- Public Education Program – September through December 2018
- Stormwater Program Ordinance and Rate Resolution Schedule
 - ❖ Public Service Committee September 10, 2018
 - ❖ Public Service Committee October 1, 2018
 - ❖ City Council 1st Reading TBD 2018
 - ❖ City Council 2nd Reading TBD 2018
 - ❖ City Council 3rd Reading TBD 2018
- Target First billing date – January 2019



Questions & Open Discussion

