



Legislation Text

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Title

Amend Minor System Fees for the Town of Cornelius

Action

ACTION:

1) Open public hearing for comments on proposed amendments to the Minor System components of Storm Water fees.

2) Close public hearing

3) Adopt RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDING MINOR SYSTEM FEES FOR THE TOWN OF CORNELIUS

Staff Contact: Don Ceccarelli, Land Use and Environmental Services Agency (LUESA) Storm Water Services

Presentation: No

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:

In 1994, the County implemented a Storm Water fee to fund the administration of storm water management programs to improve water quality, reduce flood losses and repair and or maintain the storm drainage system.

Minor System Component for municipal jurisdictions: By Interlocal Agreement, the minor system of the storm water system is defined as ditches, swales, pipes, etc. that drain less than 1 square mile and is the responsibility of the City inside the City limits and each Town inside the town limits. The revenue generated from the minor system component of the storm water fee charged within each municipal jurisdiction is returned to that jurisdiction to fund their storm water management programs.

As part of a Town-approved 4-year phased-in rate adjustment to cover the true expenditures of the implementing a storm water utility, the Town of Cornelius requests an increase to their minor system component of Storm Water fees.

The changes that have been approved are as follows:

Town of Cornelius (Town-approved on May 6, 2024):

Tier I: \$2.25 to \$2.62, per month
Tier II: \$3.27 to \$3.81, per month
Tier III: \$4.89 to \$5.70, per month
Tier IV: \$9.04 to \$10.54, per month
Commercial: \$57.72 to \$67.08, per acre of impervious acre

Public Hearing Request: As part of the Town's budgeting processes, the Town of Cornelius has already approved changes to their minor system rates. The County's public hearing will provide interested parties an opportunity to comment to the Board of County Commissioners on changes to the minor system components of the Storm Water fee for those properties located in the Town of Cornelius. Each municipality has conducted their own public hearing prior to altering their minor system component of the fee.

Mecklenburg County Storm Water Services requests a public hearing be conducted in accordance with the Storm Water Management Interlocal Agreement and State law for considering such increases. After closing the public hearing, the Board is requested to adopt the Resolution setting the minor system component of the storm water fee to the amount as directed by the Town of Cornelius.

PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:

N/A

POLICY IMPACT:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

None, revenue generated from any fee increases will be returned to the municipal jurisdiction.