



Legislation Text

File #: 19-5695, Version: 1

Title:

Easement Donation - Stewart Creek

Summary

ACTION:

1. **Accept the donation of a permanent greenway easement (± 1.666 acres) and permanent access easement (± 0.380 acres) on a portion of Tax Parcel 065-091-44 from the City of Charlotte for the future construction of the Stewart Creek Greenway**
2. **Accept the donation of a permanent greenway easement (± 0.014 acres) and permanent storm water easement (± 0.044 acres) on a portion of Tax Parcel 071-131-48 from the City of Charlotte for the future construction of the Stewart Creek Greenway**

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Presentation: No

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:

Park and Recreation and County Storm Water Services proposes acquisition of a permanent greenway easement and permanent access easement on a portion of Tax Parcel 065-091-44 and permanent greenway easement and permanent storm water easement on a portion of Tax Parcel 071-131-48. These easements will be for the construction and maintenance of a greenway and stream enhancement project along Stewart Creek Tributary II in west Charlotte. Park and Recreation has a greenway trail that is planned to be 12' wide that will run from Lakewood Avenue to State Street. The access easements will provide public access to overlooks and educational components of the City's storm water feature. Long term maintenance of the access easements will be provided by the City, but the County will have permanent access over the improvements. The greenway project is part of the Fiscal Year 2019 - 2023 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and is budgeted for \$5,000,000 including a \$250,000 contribution by the Lakewood Community Development Corporation. The North Carolina Department of Transportation is also providing the County with a reimbursement grant of \$1,100,000 to connect the portion of the trail from Rozzelles Ferry Road to State Street which is part of the main stem of Stewart Creek.

County Storm Water Services has a stream enhancement project scheduled that will run from Parkway Avenue through Martin Luther King, Jr. Park and is budgeted at \$800,000. As part of the stream enhancement project, County Storm Water will be stabilizing sections of the creek by laying back the streambanks, installing in-stream rock and log structures, and planting trees and shrubs to reduce sediment erosion.

Acquisition of these easements will facilitate construction of this project, which is anticipated to begin Spring 2020.

PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:

N/A

POLICY IMPACT:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A