

**Statement**  
**Stormwater Subcommittee Meeting**  
**January 14, 2016**

The Park Board remains committed to helping the City address stormwater flooding concerns in Elmhurst. As part of that commitment the Board has been specific about its desire to ensure that any decision would not adversely impact park neighbors. As a result, since October 2014 the Board has also been on record, in writing, as being willing to agree to help the City address the flooding concerns on Crescent so long as the solution included an automated shut off valve that would provide an increased level of safety and security for those downstream to help ensure that the problem was not simply being shifted from one street to another.

The Park Board is well aware of the information presented by Burke Engineering and reviewed by V3 Engineering and remains steadfast in its position to require a shutoff valve that will provide an added level of assurance for those residents downstream, not only as it relates to today's existing conditions, but also as relates to any future development.

Finally, the Park Board recently removed a requirement that the City had already agreed to, to fund more than \$200,000 in recreational improvements in York Commons. As a result, even if the valve costs approximately \$100,000, the City will still be spending fewer of the taxpayers' dollars on this site that it had previously agreed to and will, as a result, be able to put that savings toward other stormwater improvements.

At this point in time the City has the IGA and has to decide if it wants to utilize York Commons per the terms that the Park Board approved on December 2, 2015.