

Stormwater Management Discussion
May 8 & 22, 2013 Board Meetings and Individual Board Member Comments

QUESTIONS:

- The fire station at York Commons has an underground storage, could it be linked/added to the list of proposed areas for water retention?
- Are retaining walls primarily for ADA?
- Would like to look at full scope of plan.
- How vital is the Park District to the whole?
- Are there plans to offer a cost-sharing program to residents for the cost of installing backflow, overhead, side yard, and/or draining systems? Grant program for glass blocks or raising driveway.
- What happens if the Park District is unable to provide the required land space? Is there eminent domain?
- How soon does the City plan on implementing the plans?
- What are the capacity issues?
- Are turf fields proposed at Golden Meadows?
- Will areas be fenced?
- Are there any safety issues in regard to depth (2 – 8 ft)?
- Will the system be pump or gravity fed at Golden Meadows? If pump, what will happen during electrical power failure?
- Will the proposed sewer line at East End be tied into the Caroline sewer? What will be the impact – positive/negative?
- What impact at East End on York's cross country running team?
- What flexibility will the District lose with the plans?
- How long will it take for water to drain?
- What is the distance of the retaining wall from the soccer field lines at Pioneer Park?
- What is water flow direction at Prairie Path and Wild Meadows Trace? How many trees will be lost?
- How many homes will benefit from proposed plans?
- If soccer fields are flooded, will there be runover to other areas?
- Will those who don't have water problems have flooding problems?
- Where are the funds for the proposed plans coming from?
- If similar plans are being used at the Downers Grove Park District, did it prevent flooding during the April 18 storm?
- Has City decided to change ordinance on impermeable surface restrictions for the proposed plans? Will new construction ordinances be developed? Are we pushing problem 10 years out?
- Terraced versus large berms?
- Have the old trailer park properties adjacent to Roosevelt Road been considered?
- Are the costs for the park improvement portions (i.e., backstops, seating, etc.) included in the Burke report? If not, have they been determined?
- What level of rain event will trigger these facilities to begin taking on water? How frequently would they be in use?
- Can Burke present the proposed development plans in animated 3D video flyover?
- How long would it take to construct these facilities?
- How does the before and after of Washington Park, in terms of grading, etc., compare to what is being proposed for East End Park?
- Are there other examples in Elmhurst of existing stormwater detention facilities that function similar to those being proposed in the parks (public or private)?

IDEAS:

- Placing guardrails on Seminole at Wild Meadows Trace.
- When constructing new facilities, add underground storage.
- Use of permeable pavement at York Commons, move proposed plans for York Commons to the parking lot.
- Use of Great Western Prairie Areas
- Would like to see more green alternatives addressed.
- Using Berteau Street hospital complex as an alternative.
- Eldridge Park as an option.