



CITY OF RICHMOND

Department of Planning & Development Review *Staff Report*

Ord. No. 2016-217: To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$635,000 from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality in the form of a matching grant pursuant to the conditions set forth in the attached "**Stormwater Local Assistance Fund (SLAF) FY 2015**" letter from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality dated December 17, 2014 and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Stormwater Construction Fund by \$635,000 for the purpose of constructing the Reedy Creek Stream Restoration Project.

To: City Planning Commission
From: Land Use Administration
Date: September 19, 2016

PETITIONER

DPU, City of Richmond

LOCATION

Two portions of Reedy Creek, generally between North Crutchfield Street, east of West 44th Street, southwest of Dunston Avenue, all within the Reedy Creek watershed.

PURPOSE

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$635,000 from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Public Utilities in December 2014 secured approval for a Virginia Department of Environmental Quality Stormwater Local Assistance Fund (SLAF) matching grant to help fund the City's proposed Reedy Creek Stream Restoration Project. This stream restoration project is being constructed as part of The City's efforts to satisfy Chesapeake Bay TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) requirements as mandated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the City of Richmond's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer (MS4) permit (General Permit No.: VAR040005) issued by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality. The Chesapeake Bay TMDL establishes pollution reduction goals for phosphorus, nitrogen and sediment for municipalities located within the Chesapeake Bay watershed in an effort to improve water quality in the bay and the region's streams, creeks and rivers.

The City will receive additional revenue of \$635,000 in the form of a Stormwater Local Assistance Fund matching grant from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality in support of the Reedy Creek Stream Restoration Project. The City's Stormwater Utility will contribute \$635,000 in matching funds for the project.

In addition, the Department of Public Utilities will utilize the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality Stormwater Local Assistance Fund (SLAF) matching grant to help fund The City's proposed Reedy Creek Stream Restoration Project. The total funding package of \$1,270,000 during calendar years 2016 & 2017 for the completion of the project. This stream restoration project is being constructed as part of the City's efforts to satisfy Chesapeake Bay TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) requirements.

The Public Utilities recommends adoption of this ordinance.

Site Description

Two portions of Reedy Creek, generally between North Crutchfield Street, east of West 44th Street, southwest of Dunston Avenue, all within the Reedy Creek watershed.

Proposed Use of the Property

Streambank restoration construction.

Master Plan

The Master Plan recommends Public and Open Space land use along Reedy Creek and the eastern portion of West 44th Street.

Zoning & Land Use

The majority of the land along the eastern portion of West 44th Street is zoned R-4, Single Family Residential District.

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