
MEMORANDUM

TO: CHAIRMAN MORAS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

FROM: NICHOLAS MOSTARDO, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

SUBJECT: STORMWATER UTILITY FEE AFFORDABILITY

DATE: 8/25/2020

CC: KELLY AMIDEI, VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Background

At the July 21, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, the Village Board accepted the Stormwater Utility Feasibility and Rate Study Phase I report and directed staff to move into Phase II of the project. One significant follow-up item related to the Phase I proposed rate structure (ERU/IDF) was the affordability component for Village residents.

Analysis

After receiving Board feedback on July 21, 2020, staff directed NewGen Strategies and Solutions to conduct an affordability analysis using industry standard metrics and regional comparable communities. The report is complete and attached to this memorandum. The results of the analysis show that the implementation of the stormwater utility fee as recommended would not increase the percentage of households in Libertyville that exceed US EPA guidelines on utility bill spending versus household income.

Recommendation

Discuss affordability memo and provide policy direction, if applicable.

Attachment

1. Libertyville Stormwater Fee Affordability Report