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TO: Mayor Greer and City Council
FROM: Heather Thomas, Public Works Director
DATE: April 10, 2023
RE: Amendment to Policy – Storm Water Utility Rate Credit

Strategic Plan:

- Strategy 1: Expand and improve development in the community.
- Strategy 2: Enhance Marshalltown's public image.
- Strategy 3: Continually improve and sustain the City's infrastructure, organization, and services.
- Strategy 4: Partner with citizens, for-profit, non-profit, and others to improve quality of life.

Plan Objective:

Review City policies, procedures, plans, ordinances, programs, and services for updates and efficiencies.

Recommendation:

Approval of the proposed amendment to the City's policy.

Budget Impact:

Minimal reduction in current storm water utility fees for those that apply and are approved.

Description/Background:

In April of 2013, City Council adopted a policy to provide an opportunity for customers to apply for a storm water utility rate credit. The amendment proposed is to provide one additional option for a customer to apply for and receive a partial discharge credit to lower their storm water utility rate.

This option, which we have designated Level 6, would allow for a property that discharges a portion of the storm water generated through impervious spaces on their property directly outside city limits without re-entering city limits to essentially be able to split their property so that only the area draining to the city's storm water infrastructure be used in the computation of the storm water utility rate. Storm water infrastructure includes storm sewer, inlets, box culverts, pipe culverts, and open drainage ways including creeks, rivers, gutter flow, and road ditches.

This policy amendment is being proposed based on continued communication with a property owner & customer that would be impacted and eligible under the Level 6 designation.

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