M E M O R A N D U M

To: City Planning Commission Ordinance Revisions Committee

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SUBJECT: Amendments to Chapter 55 (UDC) Related to Stormwater Management Review

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Staff from the Systems Planning unit have requested Section 5.22.1.C be amended to clarify review responsibility for stormwater management systems. A draft ordinance has been prepared (attached) and will be scheduled for a public hearing at an upcoming Planning Commission meeting.

The Systems Planning unit plans and coordinates maintenance of the city's public infrastructure. Staff from Systems Planning, including the Land Development Coordinator, are part of the "development review team" reviewing site plan applications for compliance with the UDC and other applicable regulations and standards such as the Public Services Standard Specifications.

Section 5.22 Stormwater Management and Soil Erosion was revised by Ordinance 23-02 to adjust review responsibility between the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner (WCWRC) and the City of Ann Arbor to match their geographical boundaries.

The proposed amendment clarifies what "sites within the jurisdiction of the WCWRC" means by listing the circumstances to be within their jurisdiction and allows for complicated or unique situations to be deferred as well.

Attached – Draft Ordinance (Stormwater Management Review)

UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE

(Stormwater Management Review)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 5.22 OF CHAPTER 55 (UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE) OF TITLE V OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ANN ARBOR

The City of Ann Arbor ordains:

Section 1**.** That Section 5.22.1.C of Chapter 55 (Unified Development Code) of Title V of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor be amended as follows:

C. Review by WCWRC

~~1. For sites within the jurisdiction of the WCWRC; or sites with existing or proposed stormwater management systems under multiple ownership or for multiple parcels, including but not limited to site condominiums; or residential developments containing greater than four dwelling units within two or more detached structures; or sites with stormwater management systems servicing more than one parcel.~~

~~2. Any site that is not in the review responsibility of the WCWRC per paragraph 1 above.~~

The WCWRC shall review stormwater management systems for sites that have one or more of the following conditions:

1. Ownership by Washtenaw County.
2. Existing or proposed infrastructure owned by the WCWRC.
3. Existing or proposed easements dedicated to the WCWRC.
4. Review is deferred to the WCWRC by the PSA Administrator.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on and after ten days from legal publication.