



**Stormwater Master Plan Update  
Summary of Stakeholder Feedback  
Meeting 1 - January 26, 2017**

**Meeting Purpose:** Provide a background on the Stormwater Program, set the context, and provide an overview of the master planning update

**Stakeholders in Attendance**

Patrick G. Clay  
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*City of Fort Worth Staff, Master Plan Consultant, Halff Associates, and Public- sign in sheets available*

**Questions brought up by stakeholders during the presentation and discussed at the meeting:**

1. What do you mean by maintained channels?
2. What types of channels are maintained?
3. Are the flooding issues primarily in developed areas?
4. Will the Trinity River Vision Project help with the stormwater issues?
5. How much acreage is included in remaining capital project areas?
6. Is there a difference between fixing something and mitigating it?
7. Are you sharing the engineering assessments and prioritizations with other departments and decision makers like parks, planning, etc.?
8. Can you give an idea of what is involved in an engineering study and what are some actions that have been initiated as a result of these studies?
9. What do you mean by development services?
10. What do you call your planning department?

**Questions and feedback regarding the vision for the Fort Worth community and Stormwater Program:**

1. How does poor water quality play into the vision?
2. Vision seems to lack aspirational goals and vision. Need something to get behind like water is a valuable resource and something that we can rally behind.
3. Need to integrate our streams and organizations with current funding to push this vision.

4. Would like to hear more about quality of life and overall goals. It is understood there is better quality of life when you don't have erosion.
5. From development perspective, inside the city make sure we are taking care of these problems. The last phase of development gets to be extremely expensive. The iSWM development works really well with large areas outside of the loop. Recognize it is almost punitive on redevelopment or smaller developments.
6. These seem more like goals than vision. Vision needs to be higher level.
7. There are a lot of places that already have streets and sewers. We are losing greenspace and farm land as the city is becoming more developed. There are lots of rundown and vacant buildings that could be renewed or redeveloped. We can't go back. The redevelopment of older areas could be an opportunity and could have an impact on property values.
8. What is stormwater telling mayor, council, etc.? We need more green space returning water to the ground.
9. Collaborative needs to be expanded to include internal and external collaboration.
10. Collaboration and partnerships are the same. Could be collapsed.
11. Be clear about the negative impacts of poor drainage.
12. We assume city management and council are on top of everything. Where is leadership on this? How aware is city leadership of stormwater? Do you have their respect? Do they understand how serious the stormwater issues are?
13. This and previous slide are not visions, these are strategic goals. No idea how you can achieve your goal with this level of detail. Need to clean up verb tenses.
14. Need to identify opportunity. Come up with metrics. For example, measure/quantify the problem like reducing flooded area by a certain percentage with galvanized resources. Get some of the mushy/mushy out of the way. Address the opportunities ahead of us.

**Questions and feedback regarding the discussion on program investment:**

1. What do you need to allocate to storm drain rehab to meet your goal? If I knew how much you needed for rehab then I could make a better decision. For instance, rehab might just need a little more investment to make big impact.
2. I am not comfortable with question. I would spend capital budget on reducing debt service so that we could issue more debt and fix some problems.
3. Don't want to pass up opportunity to fix an issue now when it is less expensive than it will be in the future.
4. In tonight's meeting, we only talked about residential and businesses paying fees. Is there ever an opportunity to utilize grant funds? Need to show how it's easier to develop new areas than older areas. Maybe city can bring federal funds to rehab.
5. Is there ever an opportunity for general fund budget to be spent on stormwater efforts?

**Summary of feedback received on the hard copy comment forms passed out during the meeting:**

See separate handout

**Summary of feedback received from electronic polling questions asked to stakeholders during the meeting:**

See PowerPoint slides

**Meeting Conclusions:**

1. Conduct an informal follow-up meeting with the stakeholders to discuss outstanding questions related to the background and context of the Stormwater Program
2. Clarify the mission and vision of the Stormwater Program and how it supports the City Vision and Strategic Goals
3. Provide an overview of the external stakeholder engagement process and the focus for future stakeholder meetings
4. Include recommendations from City staff for future strategies and policies for stakeholder consideration
5. Consider developing a list of key questions and answers that can be added to the website
6. Record the background information presented at the stakeholder meeting and add it to the website for reference and to give background to others who may become involved later in the process