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James Parker
181 E. Margaret Street
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Re: Public Comment – Drainage Fees

Dear Mr. Parker,

Please accept this letter as a follow-up to your concern addressed to the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) at a previous community outreach meeting. In your comment, you questioned if drainage charges are applicable on vacant lots.

All customer including government entities are charged for drainage, except properties with less than 0.02 impervious acre or that discharge directly to rivers. A brief analysis by our Engineering team on your vacant lot was performed. They determined that your property's impervious acres is currently 0.029 which truncates to 0.02 billable acres. Your property will be billed drainage charges based upon this analysis. For more information you can visit the website at (<http://www.detroitmi.gov/dwsd>) to validate the property data. If you believe your hard surface is incorrect, you are able to fill out the Drainage Charge Adjustment Application in order for DWSD to determine if your property's impervious acreage has possibly been calculated incorrectly.

If you have further questions you can contact our customer care center at 313-267-8000 option 6 to speak with a representative.

Respectfully,

Lisa Wallick

Lisa Wallick, P.E.
Stormwater Management Group Program Manager

cc: Honorable Board of Water Commissioners