

# Post-Construction Stormwater Management Ordinance-Alternative Compliance

## June 5, 2019 Fee in Lieu



The information is current as of June 4, 2019.



#### If Stormwater Management Regulations apply to a new or redevelopment project, site owner must:

- Comply with performance standards
  - Onsite
  - Alternative Compliance
    - Offsite
    - Fee in lieu



#### What if stormwater can't be put on site?

- Widespread soil contamination
- High groundwater table
- High bedrock
- Zero lot line with adjacent basements





### Alternative Compliance

- DWSD's APPROVAL IS REQUIRED for alternative compliance
- Must demonstrate to DWSD extraordinarily difficult site conditions for detaining/retaining water onsite
- DWSD may grant alternative compliance for up to 100 percent of the required volume
- Options
  - <u>Offsite mitigation</u>: construct stormwater control measure elsewhere in the City
  - <u>In-lieu fee</u>: paying a one-time fee to DWSD to construct stormwater control measure elsewhere in the City



### Alternative Compliance: In-lieu Fee

Required volume (gallons) \* Unit Cost (\$/gallon) = One-time In-lieu Fee

#### **Proposed Unit Cost = \$8/gallon**

- Based upon
  - DWSD's average cost per gallon treated of \$5.65; plus
  - 40% for the cost of design, engineering, operation and maintenance of the stormwater control measure
- Comparable to fees used in many communities across the country



# Questions?