

The Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations, Inc.

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Ref: Reallocation of Stormwater Tax Revenue

Dear Chairman McKay, Supervisor Storck, County Executive Hill and Christina Jackson,

The MVCCA's 14,758 households that are members of our general council established a special committee to tackle the daunting consistent problems of stormwater damage to personal property, homes, yards etc. We appreciate the fact that the county is working on ways to solve the stormwater problems county wide. However, after much data gathering, we are shocked to see how our stormwater tax burden is allocated.

We, therefore, are requesting you reallocate a portion of the stormwater tax revenue funds differently. Our resolution is attached.

Katherine Ward

Katherine Ward MVCCA Cochair

Attached: Stormwater Tax Revenue Reallocation Resolution 2022-01

Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Association (Stormwater Committee) Stormwater Tax Revenue Reallocation Resolution 2022-01

Request the Board of Supervisors allocate sufficient funding from Fairfax County Stormwater Tax revenues to address and remedy stormwater problems experienced by homeowners and communities in Mount Vernon District.

Whereas: In March 2021, the MVCCA formed a Special Committee on Stormwater to investigate Mount Vernon District resident's complaints regarding stormwater problems affecting their homes and neighborhoods.

Whereas: In April 2021, the Committee published an action plan detailing its scope of work stating its intent to identify homeowners/communities with stormwater issues, examine cause(s) and resultant harm, and work to remedy existing problems.

Whereas: Through a MVCCA survey of its member organizations, residents of Mount Vernon District identified over 100 sites with stormwater issues in Mount Vernon District

Whereas: Through examination of Fairfax County's stormwater complaint database, the committee found nearly 300 formal complaints regarding stormwater during a five-year period from 2015 through portions of 2021

Whereas: Causes of identified stormwater problems include inadequate infrastructure, increases in neighboring and near-by impervious surfaces, and inadequate enforcement of county rules.

Whereas: Many homeowners in the Mount Vernon District report they incurred considerable expense to fix stormwater problems resulting from inadequate infrastructure, increases to impervious surfaces in neighboring properties, or lack of enforcement of existing rules

Whereas: If left unaddressed, stormwater issues will continue to have a grave impact on residents of the Mount Vernon Community.

Therefore Be It Resolved: The Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Association requests the Board of Supervisors examine line item allocation of Stormwater tax revenues, and reallocate sufficient funds to correct problems attributable to stormwater in the Mount Vernon District, including re-allocation of revenues (1) directly to individual homeowners to defray costs of correcting problems through individual grants or other such conveyances, or (2) allow direct intervention to correct problems by Fairfax County offices responsible for stormwater and its effects.