
Item H(1)(B) - Henderson Branch Sewer Update

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Dear Board of Trustees,

Work continues to progress on the potential Community Improvement District for the Midway Area. At our August 27th meeting with the City, they were receptive to moving forward with the CID as a potential stop-gap funding mechanism for the project. They are researching the feasibility of pursuing DNR SRF funding vs. the potential of cash reserves from their Enterprise fund. They are also still considering the logistics of the special connection fee in addition to the logistics of what it would take to incorporate Midway Golf and Games into the CID or create a separate and cooperating CID for this property since it is already annexed into the City of Columbia. The next steps are as follows:

- 1) Midway Truck Stop to initiate the legal description for the out boundary of the CID. This will commence after a couple of remaining properties have been verified if they wish to enter the CID for the initial petition. A surveyor is on standby for this work.
- 2) Finish the remaining legal work and the petition.
- 3) Finish the plan and the construction estimates.
- 4) Route the petition for signature and then forward it to the County Commission for public hearings.

Remaining issues that need to be resolved with the city include:

- 1) Confirming if this is to be BCRSD territory with wholesale payment back to the City, or if this will be City territory.
- 2) Confirming if the Henderson branch pipe size will be evaluated for an alternate to upsize the line in order to receive future flow from the Midway Crossings and Trails West treatment plants.
- 3) Confirming if the District is willing to commit differential revenues between the City wholesale rate and the district rate back towards the payback of the project.
- 4) Confirming if there are other branch sewer extensions that need to be considered by the CID
- 5) Confirming if the District is willing to commit annual payments towards future connection fees at the City WWTP in order to eventually decommission the Midway Crossings WWTF
- 6) Confirming how connection fees will be handled for all connected properties and how payback would work for properties that generate sales tax revenue.

This is moving rather quickly. I believe we will be close to having a draft petition for review by our October meeting.



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