



# MURRAY CITY STORMWATER NEWSLETTER October 2019

## FIVE-YEAR STORMWATER UTILITY FEE STRUCTURE

<i>July 1, 2020</i>	<i>\$5.65 per ERU</i>
<i>July 1, 2021</i>	<i>\$6.30 per ERU</i>
<i>July 1, 2022</i>	<i>\$6.95 per ERU</i>
<i>July 1, 2023</i>	<i>\$7.60 per ERU</i>
<i>July 1, 2024</i>	<i>\$8.25 per ERU</i>

**The City Council recently approved a new five-year fee structure for stormwater rates.** Stormwater fees are used for projects throughout the city to alleviate flooding problems and to replace aging storm drain infrastructure.

**On July 1, 2020 the monthly stormwater utility fee will increase from \$4.65/ERU to \$5.65/ERU.** An ERU (Equivalent Residential Unit) is equal to 3,400 square feet of impervious surface on an average residential property. An impervious surface is mainly artificial - such as buildings (rooftops), roads, sidewalks, driveways and parking lots. Rainwater typically runs off these surfaces and is collected in the storm drain system, which requires maintenance and infrastructure improvements by the city.

**Each developed single-family residential parcel or duplex parcel will pay a base rate of one ERU (\$5.65) per month.** Each non-single-family residential parcel will pay a multiple of one ERU depending on the amount of impervious surface contained within the property. For example, if an apartment complex has 34,000 square feet of impervious surface, the fee will be  $34,000/3,400=10$  ERU's or \$56.50 per month.



Stormwater fees have been used to complete many large-scale drainage projects over the last ten years, including new storm drains in 5900 South, 300 West, Allendale Drive, Capri Drive, Jamiah Drive, Brahma Drive, Hillside Drive and 5600 South. Currently, we are installing new storm drains in Utahna Drive, 300 West and Vine Street (east of 900 East). The stormwater fee pays for maintenance of 231 miles of storm drains, and the sweeping of every public street in Murray at least once a month. It also funds a comprehensive program designed to improve water quality in our creeks and rivers by reducing pollutants entering the storm drain system.

In the past year, city stormwater crews swept a total of 1,425 lane- miles of roads, cleaned nearly 1,200 catch basins and removed 1,950 tons of sediment and debris from the storm drain system and roadways. Crews also conducted 200 inspections at active construction sites to reduce construction site runoff and mud tracking onto city streets.

Additional stormwater information can be found at the Murray City Stormwater webpage located at:  
<https://www.murray.utah.gov/156/Stormwater>