

CITY OF CHARLOTTE

COUNCIL POLICY

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1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a practice of Eaton County Drain Commissioner review of new development and redevelopment projects in Charlotte so as to minimize adverse impacts of storm water runoff on the Kalamazoo River/Lake Allegan watershed.

2. AUTHORITY

This policy is adopted pursuant to Sections 2.1(B)(2)(f) and 2.1(B)(2)(i) of the Charter of the City of Charlotte and Section 62-88(B) of the Charlotte City Code of Ordinances.

3. BACKGROUND

The Charlotte Wastewater Treatment Plant, as a condition of its discharge permit, is required to be a member of the Kalamazoo River/Lake Allegan Watershed Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) cooperative agreement. The goal of the TMDL is to reduce phosphorus that makes its way into the Kalamazoo River and, eventually, the Great Lakes through storm water runoff. One of the requirements from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) is that each member establish practices to ensure that all plans for development and redevelopment of properties meet runoff standards. The County Drain Commissioner currently reviews most development and redevelopment projects for storm water runoff.

4. REQUIREMENT FOR THE REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENT AND REDEVELOPMENT PLANS

All plans for development and redevelopment projects submitted to the Building Official, Community Development Director or such other City personnel charged with building code and/or zoning ordinance compliance within the limits of the City of Charlotte shall be referred for review to, and placed under the authority of, the Eaton County Drain Commissioner.

5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This policy shall become effective upon its approval by the City Council.