

Staff Recommendations - iSWM Criteria Manual

The “Drainage Design Practices” briefing to the Transportation and Environmental Committee of the city council is tentatively scheduled for Oct 26, 2009. This briefing consists of two parts. The first part is titled “Overview of Current Drainage and Erosion Control Practices” and the second part is titled “Alternative Technique- Integrated Storm Water Management (iSWM)”.

PHASES	RECOMMENDATIONS	ACTIONS
Phase I - data collection and committee formation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voluntary use of iSWM criteria manual as part of the drainage design criteria. • Voluntary use of iSWM Plan questionnaire. • Form a “Technical Committee” and a “Policy Committee” representing developers, professional engineers/architects, interested citizens, the environmental community, and city staff to develop and implement incentives and look at regional approaches to addressing stormwater quality issues and erosion control. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City council resolution adopting voluntary use of iSWM criteria manual as part of the drainage design criteria. • Collect development data to shape future approach.
Phase II - adopt voluntary local criteria with incentives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue voluntary use of iSWM criteria manual as part of the drainage design criteria. • Continue voluntary use of iSWM Plan questionnaire. • Complete and adopt voluntary local iSWM criteria, which supplements the regional iSWM Manual and include incentives. • Consider adoption of minor technical changes to the City’s Drainage Design manual to incorporate certain iSWM design provisions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess effectiveness of development projects using voluntary iSWM criteria. • Codify development incentives (i.e., Amend Article IV, Zoning; Article VIII, Platting; etc.) • City council resolution adopting voluntary local iSWM criteria that includes incentives.
Phase III - report to city council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief city council within two years of adopting the voluntary local iSWM criteria. • Make recommendations on whether the iSWM policies or voluntary local criteria should be amended. 	