



REQUEST FOR ACTION

Comprehensive Surface Water Management Plan Final Draft (4:30 to 5:30 p.m.)

MEETING DATE:

April 27, 2026

ORIGINATING DEPT:

Public Works

AGENDA SECTION:

Presentation Items

PRESENTER:

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Report Narrative:

The City has completed a new Comprehensive Surface Water Management Plan (CSWMP) to guide how stormwater, surface water, and groundwater resources are managed over the coming years. The existing plan, originally adopted in 1997 and updated in 1999, no longer reflects current conditions. This update was necessary to address changes in federal and state regulations, incorporate updated rainfall and climate data, align with the City's *Planning 2 Succeed: Comprehensive Plan 2040*, and respond to continued growth and development.

The CSWMP establishes a clear, system-wide approach to managing water resources. It emphasizes the connection between natural systems and built infrastructure, allowing the City to make informed decisions that protect water quality, reduce flood risk, and support long-term sustainability. The plan integrates traditional gray infrastructure, such as storm sewers and channels, with green infrastructure and natural features like wetlands and tree canopy. This combined approach improves system performance and provides additional environmental and community benefits.

The CSWMP is organized into four volumes to ensure clarity and usability. Volume I provides the overall direction, including the plan's purpose, guiding principles, and key strategies. Volumes II and III address development patterns and area-specific priorities, while Volume IV documents the technical analysis that supports the CSWMP. This structure allows different audiences, including City staff, developers, elected officials, and residents, to access the information most relevant to their needs.

At its core, the CSWMP defines five focus areas that guide the City's actions:

- Protecting water quality, groundwater resources, and natural habitats
- Improving resilience to changing climate conditions
- Strengthening policies, programs, and system operations
- Increasing public awareness, partnerships, and community engagement
- Establishing sustainable funding and asset management practices

Together, these focus areas provide a coordinated framework for addressing current challenges and

planning for future conditions. The plan also outlines implementation strategies, regulatory alignment, and monitoring efforts to ensure progress can be measured and adjusted over time.

City staff will present the key components of the CSWMP to the City Council and provide an opportunity for questions and discussion. Following this presentation, the plan is scheduled to return to Council in May for consideration of final adoption.

Priorities & Foundational Principles:

Inclusive Growth Management

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Attachments:

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