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The following provides local service and developer contribution policy for the County and its area municipalities.

1. Roads and Realted Services

1.1. Collector Roads

- The local component of a collector road internal to a development is a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A. as a local service. The oversized share of a collector road internal to a development is D.C. recoverable.
- Collector roads external to a development are a local service if the works are within the area to which the plan relates and, therefore, a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A. Otherwise, the works are included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under s.5(1) of the D.C.A.

1.2. Arterial Roads

• New arterial roads and arterial road improvements are included as part of road costing funded through D.C.s. Only the oversized component would be recovered through D.C.s and local road equivalent costs are considered to be a local service.

1.3. Local Roads

• Local roads, as defined by the municipalities' engineering standards, are local services and a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A.

1.4. Subdivision/Site Entrances and Related

• Entrances and all related costs (including, but not limited to: signalization, turn lanes, utilities and extensions, etc.), no matter the class of road, are a local service and a direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A.



1.5. Streetlights

- Streetlights internal to a development or site are a direct developer responsibility through local service provisions (s.59 of the D.C.A.).
- Streetlights external to a development but related to the subject lands are a direct developer responsibility through local service provisions (s.59 of the D.C.A.).
- New streetlights in other areas related to development may be included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under S. 5(1) of the D.C.A.

1.6. Sidewalks

- Sidewalks internal to a development or site are a direct developer responsibility through local service provisions (s.59 of the D.C.A.).
- Sidewalks external to a development but required and related to the subject lands are a direct developer responsibility through local service provisions (s.59 of the D.C.A.).
- New sidewalks in other areas related to development are included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under s.5(1) of the D.C.A.

1.7. Bike Routes/Bike Lanes/Bike Paths/Multi-Use Trails/Naturalized Walkways

- Bike or transit lanes, where requested, internal to a development or site are a direct developer responsibility through local service provisions (s.59 of the D.C.A.).
- Bike or transit lanes external to a development but required and related to the subject lands are a direct developer responsibility through local service provisions (s.59 of the D.C.A.).
- New bike or transit lanes in other areas related to development are included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under s.5(1) of the D.C.A.

1.8. Noise Abatement Measures

- Noise abatement measures internal to a development are a direct developer responsibility through local service provisions (s.59 of the D.C.A.).
- Noise abatement measures external to a development but required and related to, or mitigate impacts from, the development of the subject lands, are a direct developer responsibility through local service provisions (s.59 of the D.C.A.).



1.9. Street Tree Planting

• Street tree planting, as required in the Engineering Standards, is considered a local area service and a direct responsibility of the developer.

1.10. Land Acquisition for Road Allowances

- Land acquisition for planned road allowances within development lands is a dedication under the *Planning Act* provisions.
- Land acquisition for planned road allowances outside of development lands, and that is not a dedication under the *Planning Act*, is included in the D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under s.5(1) of the D.C.A.
- Additional land acquisition for bridges or grade separations (beyond normal dedication requirements) is to the extent eligible as identified and included, if applicable, in the D.C. Background Study

1.11. County Roads

- All improvements to a County road to facilitate development are considered local services to be paid by the developer unless they fall into one of the following categories:
- The improvement is designated as required for traffic flow improvement for an area greater than the development, is defined as a road improvement required by the County, and is identified through the Class Environmental Assessment process or the County Transportation study. Such an improvement would be listed in the D.C. Background Study.
- The improvement is designated as required by County staff to serve a greater area than the development and is identified in the 5-year Capital Works forecast and is listed in the D.C. Background Study.
- The improvement is designated as required by County staff to serve a greater area than the development and is identified in the capital works forecast or similar County financial documents and is listed in the D.C. study.



2. Water Services

- All growth-related water supply, storage, treatment facilities and booster pumping stations will be included in the D.C. calculation, unless specifically noted otherwise in the D.C. Background Study.
- Watermains within the development that are larger than 250 mm are to be included in the D.C. calculation. The amount of cost contribution for watermains within a development shall be calculated using tendered unit prices and shall be the difference between the cost of the actual pipe diameter and the cost of a 250mm pipe diameter including a 10% engineering fee. Only watermain and valves will be included in the calculation. Any costs related to the depth of pipe are the responsibility of the developer.
- Watermains 250mm and under are deemed to be a local service and are a direct funding responsibility of the developer.
- Connections to trunk mains and pumping stations to service specific areas are to be a direct developer responsibility. Watermains will generally be required to be carried to a property line or external to the subdivision to connect to an existing watermain as a local service as a direct funding responsibility of the developer.
- Trunk watermains, generally outside the development area, identified by a Class Environmental Assessment, Servicing Study or by County staff will be included in the D.C. calculation.

3. <u>Wastewater Services</u>

- All sanitary sewage treatment facilities are to be included in the D.C. calculation, unless specified otherwise in the D.C. Background Study.
- Major sanitary trunk sewers, external to the development and major pumping stations serving more than one development are to be included in the D.C. calculation. These services will be identified through a Class Environmental assessment, Servicing Study or by County staff.
- Sewer collectors 250mm and under are deemed to be a local service and are a direct funding responsibility of the developer. Sanitary sewers larger than 250mm that also service upstream properties will have cost sharing calculated on the tendered unit prices and shall be the difference between the cost of the actual pipe diameter and the cost of a 250mm pipe including a 10% engineering fee. All



other appurtenances with respect to oversizing and any costs related to the depth of pipe are the responsibility of the developer.

- Connections to collectors and pumping stations to service specific areas are to be a direct developer responsibility. The cost of continuing the last run of a sewer upstream past the last manhole to property line is the responsibility of the developer as a local service.
- Local pumping stations serving a small localized area (which may include more than one development property) are local services to be paid by the developer on a flow area or proportional basis. Local pumping stations will not be included in the list of projects in the D.C. Background Study and therefore not eligible for D.C. funding or credits.
- Any oversizing costs for other developers on a local pumping station will be negotiated as part of the development agreement for the particular developer.

4. Stormwater Management Services

- The costs of stormwater management facilities internal to subdivision and related to a plan of subdivision are considered to be a local service under the D.C.A. and the associated costs are not included in the D.C. calculation. Local SWM facilities would typically include:
 - Stormwater management facilities servicing local drainage areas;
 - Storm sewer oversizing associated with local drainage areas; and
 - Storm sewer works on existing roads.
- New stormwater facilities in other areas, which may or may not be associated with D.C. eligible road infrastructure, may be included in the D.C. calculation.
- Master drainage planning studies or similar non-development specific studies may be included in the D.C. calculation.

5. Parkland Development

For the purpose of parkland development, local services include the requirement for the owner to undertake preparation of the park plan, retaining necessary consultants to prepare design and grading plans for the park, prior to development. In addition, the owner is required to provide stripping and stockpiling, leveling, topsoiling, seeding and stormwater servicing including all appurtenances (consistent with the plan), fencing the property perimeter, and provide municipal water and wastewater services to the lot line.



These requirements are part of the conditions of s.51 and 53 *Planning Act* agreements. The municipality also requires the owner to dedicate parkland or provide cash-in-lieu, consistent with the *Planning Act* provisions. All of these costs are deemed a direct responsibility of the developer and have not been included in the D.C. calculation.

With respect to other parkland development costs, the municipal policy is to include all other components of parkland development in the D.C. calculation, including parking, park furniture, signage, landscaping and walkways and multi-purpose trails, in addition to the necessary fields, diamonds, playground equipment, lighting, irrigation and field houses.