



WILDWOOD

November 30, 2022

MEMORANDUM

To: Watershed Erosion Task Force Members

From: Department of Planning and Parks

Re: **Efforts and Initiatives of Task Force in 2022 – Year in Review (Wards – All)**

Cc: The Honorable James R. Bowlin, Mayor
Steve Cross, City Administrator
John A. Young, City Attorney
Joe Vujnich, Director of Planning and Parks
Rick Brown, P.E. and P.T.O.E., Director of Public Works
Melanie Rippetoe, Assistant Director of Planning and Parks
Travis Newberry, Senior Planner

SUMMARY OF YEAR 2022 TASK FORCE EFFORTS >>> Although the year ended with less than desirous news regarding the City's five (5) applications for ARPA grant funding, it was still a good year for the task force and its efforts to address problems in the City's watersheds specifically those locations that have been identified over the last two (2) plus years. These efforts have included the following items:

1. Agreed to the final list of critical projects that would be the focus of future funding efforts. This list of projects included seventeen (17) action items for the City.
2. Agreed to fund the preparation of the needed Section 404 Permits from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the top critical locations, which have been prepared and are ready to submit.
3. Agreed to fund a contract with a set of consultants to consider addressing deficiently design detention and retention basins to address runoff at the sources, versus only considering fixes in the creeks themselves.
4. Agreed and produced several publications for residents and property owners on stormwater runoff and erosion to help educate them on good practices upon and around their properties.
5. Participated in the 2022 Lawn and Garden Summit, with a booth and that hosted a water table.
6. Presented to City Council recommendations on funding for 2022 and 2023.
7. Initiated the two (2) year partnership with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) for study of Caulks Creek Watershed.
8. Agreed to submit applications for funding to the State of Missouri, as noted above.

This list indicates a consistent effort on the part of the task force and the City to address problems that continue to worsen in some locations or will not improve without intervention on the part of Wildwood.

OTHER AND CONTACT INFORMATION >>> If any of the Task Force Members should have any questions or comments regarding this information, please feel free to contact the Department of Planning at (636) 458-0440. A presentation is planned on these items at tonight's meeting. Thank you for your review of this information and input on the same.