

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: City Utilities - Sewer/Stormwater

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: September 7, 2021

Re: Report: Appointment of Stakeholders to the Hinkson Creek Collaborative Adaptive

Management Stakeholder Committee

Executive Summary

This report discusses the appointment of new members to the Hinkson Creek Collaborative Adaptive Management Stakeholder Committee to fill vacant positions.

Discussion

In April 2012, the City agreed to the Collaborative Adaptive Management process (CAM) to address the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for Hinkson Creek. The CAM is a five party agreement negotiated to settle the Hinkson Creek TMDL and includes the City, Boone County, the University of Missouri (MS4 - municipal separate storm sewer system - partners), the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The CAM agreement allows a wide range of activities to contribute to reaching water quality goals. The goal of the CAM agreement is to find the most effective approach or approaches for improving Hinkson Creek rather than committing to one predetermined approach which may not be as effective.

The Collaborative Adaptive Management Agreement for Hinkson Creek created a Stakeholder Committee, an Action Team and a Science Team. The current Stakeholder Group consists of Karl Skala (City), Justin Aldred (County), Todd Houts (University of Missouri) and members from the following groups: Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Chamber of Commerce, Central Missouri Development Council, Columbia Public Schools, Sierra Club, Smart Growth, Stream Teams, Soil and Water Conservation Board, Large Scale Commercial property representative, Agriculture property representative and two general property owners who live in the watershed. The Environmental Protection Agency provides a facilitator for the Stakeholder Committee. The represented groups for the Stakeholder Committee were agreed to by the Columbia City Council, County Commission and University of Missouri.

The Stakeholder Committee meets four to six times per year. There are challenges achieving a quorum and vacancies exacerbate the issue. Currently, the positions for the Central Missouri Development Council and Smart Growth are vacant. Smart Growth is no longer an active group in Columbia. It is in the interest of diversity to appoint persons with similar interests to what those two groups represented. Susan Hart, employed with Reinhardt Construction has been recommended to represent the builder and developer point of view. Leanne Tippett Mosby, formerly with MDNR and currently with University of Missouri School of Public Affairs, has been recommended to represent the "Smart Growth" perspective. Members of the City Council, County Commission and University of Missouri originally



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decided and appointed the original Stakeholder members and representing groups. In August, Mr. Aldred, Mr. Skala and Mr. Houts met to discuss the two proposed Stakeholders and all agreed to move forward with appointing Susan Hart and Leanne Tippet Mosby to the Stakeholder Committee.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: none Long-Term Impact: none

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Primary, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Primary, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Legislative History

Date	Action
08/17/2020	REP46-20 Collaborative Adaptive Management (CAM) Progress
05/04/2020	Report 2017-2018 from the CAM Stakeholder Committee. B98-20 Authorizing an intergovernmental cooperative agreement with Boone County, Missouri and The Curators of the
	University of Missouri for a chemical analysis project as it relates to the Hinkson Creek collaborative adaptive management (CAM) implementation process; amending the FY 2020 Annual Budget by appropriating funds.
04/20/2020	B83-20 Authorizing an intergovernmental cooperative agreement with Boone County, Missouri and The Curators of the
	University of Missouri for a synoptic sampling project as it relates to the Hinkson Creek collaborative adaptive management (CAM) implementation process; amending the FY 2020 Annual Budget by appropriating funds.
01/07/2019	B322-18 Authorizing an intergovernmental cooperative agreement with the County of Boone and The Curators of the University of Missouri for an aquatic macroinvertebrate data
	mining project as it relates to the Hinkson Creek collaborative adaptive management (CAM) implementation process; appropriating funds.
12/18/2017	R182-17 Appointing the City Manager, or the City Manager's designee, as an alternate voting member of the Hinkson Creek Collaborative Adaptive Management Stakeholder Committee.



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Suggested Council Action

If Council agrees with this report, a motion should be made that City Council concurs with the appointments of Susan Hart and Leanne Tippett Mosby to the Hinkson Creek Collaborative Adaptive Management Stakeholder Committee. This motion should include that staff be instructed to notify the other agencies party to this agreement of the appointments.