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## MEMO

To: Erin Powers, Stormwater Enterprise
From: Andrea Barlow, HBA Public Policy Chair
Date: November 2, 2021
Subject: 2022 Proposed Drainage Fee Increase

On behalf of the Housing & Building Association of Colorado Springs (CSHBA), we would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to review the proposed fee increases to the 2022 Drainage Fee Schedule, including increases to the pond land fee resulting from the revised Park Land Dedication Fee. While all increases to development and building costs are taken seriously (as they all play a role in housing attainability), we understand that the proposed fee adjustmetns are based upon actual cost increases seen by the industry.

After review from our members, no major concerns were identified regarding the proposed fee increase of 7.0% over the 2021 Drainage, Bridge & Detentin Pond fees. We understand the 28% increase to the pond land fee was adjusted based off the 2020 park land fee and will be adjusted again with the next annual update.

We appreciate the City's efforts to monitor and adjust drainage fees and staff's continued efforts to update outdated basin fees studies to reflect current market costs to build. We look forward to continued collaboration with the Stormwater Enterprise team.

Thank you,

Andrea Barlow Public Policy Chair

