



**MIDDLETOWN**  
Rhode Island

To: Town Council  
From: Town Administrator  
Subject: Municipal Stormwater Utility District Planning  
Date: July 11, 2016

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Request the Town Council approve the attached engagement submitted by Crossman Engineering to provide engineering services necessary for the Town to further analyze and develop a formal stormwater program and utility district for potential implementation in FY18. The work would be completed by Crossman Engineering which is the Town's on-call engineer, and Amec Foster Wheeler which is the engineering firm that the Town hired to prepare the Stormwater Management District Development Study dated May 19, 2014.

The proposed work includes assisting the Town with program & cost analysis, development of a rate and credit structure, drafting an ordinance, and development of a public involvement plan. The engagement includes progress meetings with the Town's Stormwater Utility Steering Committee and the Town Council. The total proposed cost is \$86,500, and the contract will be funded from the Stormwater Utility Fund which was funded in FY16. Work would start immediately and is targeted to be completed in February of 2017, which would coincide with the rollout of the FY18 budget.

Development, evaluation and consideration of a stormwater utility is critical for the Town due to the significant expense associated with the cost of improving, operating and maintaining a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4). Program costs continue to increase because of regulatory requirements, flooding concerns, water quality issues and commercial & residential development within the watershed.

Thank you for your consideration. Please contact me with your questions.

Enclosures

1. Proposal – Crossman Engineering proposal dated July 6, 2016
2. Resolution