Effective October 1, 2019

YOUR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FEE WILL BE BILLED AND COLLECTED ON YOUR PROPERTY TAX BILL INSTEAD OF YOUR MONTHLY UTILITY BILL (WATER BILL).

There will be no change in the rate that will be charged. The difference is that the fees will be collected annually on the tax bill as a stormwater assessment instead of on the monthly utility bill (water bill).

Collecting the stormwater management fee on the tax bill instead of the monthly utility bill has the following advantages:

- First, it creates more timely collection of revenue for the stormwater management program managed by the City.
- Second, the utility bill will only be for water, sewer and related account charges.
- Third, it allows property owners to take advantage of a discount of up to 4% by paying the tax bill early.

The stormwater management fee will appear as a stormwater assessment in the section titled Non-Ad Valorem Taxes on the Notice of Proposed Property Taxes mailed in August or the tax bill mailed in late-October.

Frequently Asked Questions

• Why does the City charge a stormwater management fee?

Stormwater is generated from rain that runs off impervious surfaces on the property. Impervious surfaces include the rooftop, patios, driveways, parking lots and similar areas. Rain cannot soak into impervious surfaces and thus runs off into the streets where it flows into the City’s storm drainage system.

The City is responsible for the management of the stormwater and surface water system, which provides for the collection, storage, treatment and transport of stormwater. The stormwater system protects the health, safety and welfare of North Lauderdale residents by minimizing the loss of life and property from flooding. It reduces water pollution and other environmental impacts as required by the Environmental Protection Agency and other regulatory agencies.

The annual stormwater assessment is based on the impervious area for each parcel of property.

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• Who is responsible for the payment of the stormwater assessment?

Like property taxes, the stormwater assessment is billed to property owners only and the property owner is ultimately responsible for payment.

• I don’t pay taxes now due to a homestead or disability exemption. Will I have to pay the stormwater assessment?

Yes. The stormwater assessment is different than taxes and will apply to all property owners regardless of homestead exemption or other exemption.

• Who can I contact if I have questions regarding the stormwater assessment?

If you require additional information, please contact the City Stormwater Management Utility Director at (954) 724-7070.

Additional Resources

Broward County Tax Collector
(954) 831-4000
Broward County office of Records Taxes and Treasury

City of North Lauderdale
Finance Department
(954) 597-4714

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North Lauderdale, FL 33068
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