

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2022-489

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Boylan

Date of Introduction: June 28, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F, R, Waterways Commission

Date of Analysis: June 30, 2022

Type of Action: Establishment of special purpose district; defining powers, functions and duties; defining geographic area; establishing board of supervisors; identifying method of financing

Bill Summary: The bill establishes a Deep Bottom Creek Dependent Special District to provide for the dredging and maintenance of Deep Bottom Creek in Council District 6. Powers and duties are established, including the power to enter into contracts; to buy, hold and sell real and personal property; to employ consultants, engineers and other professionals as needed; to borrow money; to assess and collect an annual assessment; and to perform capital projects and maintenance. The bill creates a 5-member board of supervisors for the district and appoints the initial membership. It declares that the financing mechanism shall be a non-ad valorem special assessment.

Background Information: The new district encompasses 15 properties located on Lynnhaven Terrace (8), Scott Mill Road (2) and Riverport Drive N and W (4). The initial Board of Supervisors appointed by Council consists of Alan Seabrooke, Roslyn Karstedt, Laura Williams-Dolan, Joe Ricketts, and Michael Sharrit, with Craig Carpenter appointed as an alternate should either Mr. Ricketts or Mr. Sharrit be unable to serve. New members will be elected by the owners of the assessed properties at the 2026 general election. Special assessments for the district are limited to \$1,000 for the first year and to an increase of no more than \$200 per year thereafter, up to a maximum of \$1,500 annually.

Policy Impact Area: Creek drainage and maintenance

Fiscal Impact: None to City; special assessments to property owners are limited to \$1,000 for the first year and to an increase of no more than \$200 per year thereafter, up to a maximum of \$1,500 annually.

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