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TO: Mayor Linda Gorton

Urban County Council

FROM: Jennifer M. Carey, P.E., Director

Division of Environmental Services

**DATE:** August 15, 2025

SUBJECT: Encroachment Agreement with Columbia Gas on Loudon Avenue Detention Basin /

Greenway

## Request

Authorization to enter into an encroachment agreement with Columbia Gas to place bike racks, benches, and educational signage in their easement on the Loudon Avenue Detention Basin / Greenway property (642 – 650 East Loudon Avenue).

## Why are you requesting?

The Loudon Avenue Detention Basin / Greenway consists of 6 adjacent lots acquired by LFUCG to mitigate flooding in The Meadows neighborhood. This 1.43 acre area serves as a detention basin and is currently being turf mowed. In 2023, the Greenspace Trust identified this site as a project to continue promoting their mission to preserve, protect, enhance, and maintain open space throughout the Urban Service Area. A wet meadow / pollinator habitat, park benches, bike racks, and adventure boulders are all proposed for this area. The goal of this project is to improve water quality and to create an area residents can enjoy through passive recreation.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? N/A

Are the funds budgeted?  $\mathrm{N/A}$ 

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Director / Commissioner: Carey / Albright



