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Re: McDuffie-Twin Parks/Pueblo Alto Storm Drainage Improvement Project

Dear Ms. Drake and Mr. Gangwish:

I have obtained a copy of your letter, dated September 20, 2020, sent to Councilor Gibson concerning the referenced topic. I appreciate your acknowledgement of our effort to meet with you and the FOTP leadership to listen to your concerns and continue dialogue on the project.

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It has become increasingly evident that the Friends of Twin Parks and others are staunchly opposed to any notion of altering the terrain of Twin Parks in order to accommodate a multi-use detention facility. Given local drainage conditions of the Twin McDuffie-Twin Parks/Pueblo Alto area, Department of Municipal Development (DMD) engineering staff had considered temporarily storing stormwater runoff within the park as an option to mitigate the existing flooding that routinely occurs within the Pueblo Alto neighborhood. After careful consideration of this option, I can affirmatively declare that the Department of DMD is no longer considering Twin Parks for ponding of stormwater and the project will not move forward as initially conceived. In cooperation with Councilor Gibson's office, it has been decided to refocus efforts in other areas for potential drainage solutions that do not impact the park. If and when that scope of work is reinitiated you and others are welcome to offer supplemental ideas for solving this problem as indicated in your letter.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at my office.

Sincerely,

Patrick Montoya
Director, Department of Municipal Development