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SPECIAL
PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE

A G E N D A

November 29, 2005 - 12:00 Noon - Caucus Room - City Hall - City of Dover

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AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

1. Proposed Resolution - Puncheon Run Watershed Action Team

2. Report by City Manager - Status of John W. Pitts Recreation Center

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THE AGENDA ITEMS AS LISTED MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED IN SEQUENCE. THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE TO INCLUDE THE ADDITION OR THE DELETION OF ITEMS, INCLUDING EXECUTIVE SESSIONS.

WHEREAS, there is regular flooding of property in the Puncheon Run watershed that is progressively worsening; and

WHEREAS, individual storm water retention ponds have been established in recent years to manage storm water run off into this watershed; and

WHEREAS, these individual storm water retention ponds have been established without consideration of the cumulative effect of storm water run off from multiple developments and infrastructure improvements throughout the watershed; and,

WHEREAS, the lack of coordination and a watershed-wide assessment of the cumulative effect of these developments and infrastructure improvements may be contributing to the worsening flooding along Puncheon Run; and,

WHEREAS, the established storm water retention ponds are not being maintained and homeowner associations may not be able to maintain storm water retention ponds in the area of Puncheon Run; and

WHEREAS, new developments and infrastructure improvements in the watershed currently being considered, including the Eden Hill Farm Development, the Kesselring Farm Development, the Nottingham Woods Subdivision; and, Governors Avenue Improvements and the proposed West Dover Connector, may threaten the watershed's capacity and worsen the flooding conditions unless comprehensive and effective storm water management measures are put into place; and

WHEREAS, these new developments and infrastructure improvements provide opportunities for making significant improvements in storm water management if these improvements are based on a comprehensive study of the entire watershed area; and

WHEREAS, there is no clear intergovernmental leadership responsibility for conducting such a comprehensive study; and

WHEREAS, representatives from the State Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Delaware Department of Transportation, Kent County Conservation District, and owners of land in the watershed have recommended that a "Puncheon Run Watershed Action Team" be created to provide this intergovernmental leadership.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOVER, IN COUNCIL MET:

1. That the City of Dover endorses the formation of a Puncheon Run Watershed Action Team whose purpose would be to study the hydrology of the watershed, develop a storm water model, recommend regional strategies and best practices for storm water management, and recommend physical improvements to resolve flooding.

2. That the City of Dover serve as the lead agency for the Puncheon Run Watershed Action Team and authorize the City Manager or his representative to apply for funding for work of the Puncheon Run Watershed Action Team.

ADOPTED: *