

City of Pensacola

Memorandum

File #: 22-00480 City Council 5/26/2022

PRESENTATION ITEM

FROM: City Council Member Sherri Myers

SUBJECT:

PRESENTATION - J. BRUCE WOODY, ECUA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BRUCE BEACH & CONTAMINATION WITHIN THE CITY'S STORM SEWER SYSTEM

REQUEST:

That City Council receive a presentation from ECUA Executive Director, J. Bruce Woody regarding the Bruce Beach redevelopment and contamination within the City's Storm Sewer System.

SUMMARY:

In April of 2022, City Council received a presentation providing initial findings from the Bruce Beach stormwater source tracking and weekly monitoring of publicly accessible areas.

As a result of that presentation and those findings, ECUA and City Staff met regarding the finding of the presence of bacterial contamination in the city's storm sewer system. The potential source of the contamination is still unknown at this time.

The storm sewer system is owned and maintained by the City, while wastewater collection, conveyance and treatment is under ECUA's authority.

Currently ECUA and City staff are working to develop a mutual response plan for further inspection, sampling, and testing.

This item seeks to provide City Council with an update on the progress.

PRIOR ACTION:

April 28, 2022 - Presentation regarding the Bruce Beach stormwater source tracking and weekly monitoring of publicly accessible areas.

August 12, 2021 - City Council passed item entering into agreement with UWF & the Center for Environmental Diagnostics and Bioremediation to conduct Bruce Beach stormwater source tracking and weekly monitoring.

STAFF CONTACT:

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Don Kraher, Council Executive

ATTACHMENTS:

None

PRESENTATION: Yes