

Stormwater Utility Off Right-of-Way Assistance Program Spending Limits Policy

(Abridged)

It is ... the goal of this Policy to provide as much assistance as feasible, especially in the form of numerous projects, retain the integrity of the priority system established in the City of Gastonia Code of Ordinances, and avoid the over-commitment of funds to any one single project.

Accordingly, the City finds it reasonable and expedient to limit expenditures on Off Right-of-Way Assistance projects, based on the priority recommended by the Citizens' Advisory Panel as follows:

Prioritization	Priority Description	Maximum Public Funding (per Applicant/Site)
1	A clear and immediate danger exists and poses a threat to personal safety or a building's structural integrity.	\$50,000
2	A threat exists to personal safety or a building's structural integrity, but the threat is not immediate.	\$30,000
3	Neither of the conditions specified in (Priority One or Two) above exists, but the work would reduce damage to property and financial loss.	\$10,000

Notes:

- Priority Descriptions reference City of Gastonia Code of Ordinances §14-713
- Adjacent applicants may indicate a desire that their requests be joined into one project.
 - Combined projects will be scheduled according to the Applicant/Site with the highest prioritization.
 - Combined projects will be funded up to the sum of the combined funding limits for each Applicant/Site.
- Definitions:
 - Project: A single improvement to a drainageway shown on a set of design plans in one geographic location.
 - Applicant/Site: Each property owner requesting assistance for a single parcel or group of parcels (as set forth in the Gaston County Tax Records) with a single use.

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