

To: Members
Dunwoody City Council

From: J. Jay Vinicki
Assistant City Manager

Re: DNC Classroom Funding

Date: July 27, 2026

Action

Authorize an additional \$9,600 of General Fund fund balance to be transferred from the General Fund to the capital project for the DNC Wildcat Creek Learning Lab and to allow the City Manager or Finance Director to adjust the appropriate budgets to accomplish this transfer.

Summary

In a previous action of Mayor and City Council, there was authorization to use \$66,642 of Stormwater Funding for reimbursement of work of one of the contractors on the project. The costs for that project exceeded that allocation by \$9,600. This item approves the use General Fund fund balance to cover that shortfall.



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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Cody Dallas, Senior Stormwater Engineer

Date: June 16, 2025 (corrected 7/9/2025)

Subject: **Funding Authorization for Stormwater Construction for Wildcat Learning Center**

ACTION

Authorize the Mayor, City Manager, or designee to allocate up to \$229,623 through its unit-price contract with Dickerson Group to complete stormwater construction for the new Wildcat Learning Center at the Dunwoody Nature Center (DNC), and an additional \$66,642 to reimburse DNC's contractor for final stormwater improvements, for a total of \$296,265.

SUMMARY

The Dunwoody Facility Authority's agreement with the Dunwoody Nature Center for the Wildcat Learning Center states that the city will be responsible for completing the stormwater improvements associated with the project. These improvements consist of installing stormwater structures and pipes as well as restoration of the pedestrian plaza area where most of the stormwater improvements are contained. The city's on-call stormwater contractor, Dickerson Group, has provided a cost estimate of \$296,265 for the stormwater improvements based on contract unit prices.

Due to the sequence of construction, the City and Nature Center have agreed that the City's contractor will install most of the stormwater pipes and structures before the building construction begins at an estimate cost of up to \$229,623. The Nature Center's contractor will then construct the building and complete the site work including the final paving of the plaza. The City will reimburse the Nature Center \$66,642 for the installation of trench drains, curbing and pedestrian paving that is part of the stormwater scope of work.

If approved by Council, this project will be funded from the Stormwater Utility's annual repairs and maintenance budget.

DETAILS

The following scopes of work reference the site construction plans prepared by Pond for the Dunwoody Nature Center Wildcat Creek Learning Lab, dated 8/15/2024.

The city's obligations for stormwater management improvements shall consist of the following scope to be completed by Dickerson Group:

- Complete the demolition outlined in notes 18,19 and 20 on Sheet CD101. All areas trenched for new pipe will be backfilled to existing grades. In paved areas



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the trench will be capped with an asphalt patch. In other areas, temporary ground cover will be restored.

- Install the stormwater pipe and structures described in notes 2 through 9 on Sheet CG101. Nyloplast inlets shown in plans at structures 1.5, 2.1, 3.1 and 4.2 will be replaced with pedestal top inlets.

The remaining stormwater improvements will be completed by DNC's contractor due to the required sequencing of construction. The Nature Center will pay their contractor for this portion of the work and then request reimbursement from the City up to the amount that the City would otherwise pay under its unit price contract with Dickerson Group. The scope to be completed by DNC's contractor shall consist of the following:

- Installation of the pedestrian concrete plaza outlined in note 14 on Sheet CS101.
- Install 75 LF of header curb described in note 17 on Sheet CS101.
- Install the trench drain shown on Sheet CG101.
- Install a second trench drain in the pavement in place of the 12" RCP between structure 4.1 and 4.2 shown on Sheet CG101, along with associated structures.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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