

Department of Public Works



CITY OF MONROVIA

File No. X.XX Administrative Policy

Subject:

GREEN STREETS POLICY (DRAFT)

Effective Date:

TBD

I. POLICY OBJECTIVE

The City of Monrovia provides that the City of Monrovia shall require the implementation of green street BMPs for transportation corridors associated with new and redevelopment streets, shall implement green street BMPs for transportation corridors associated with roadway projects, including Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs). This policy is enacted to demonstrate compliance with the NPDES MS4 Permit for the Los Angeles Region (Order No. R4-2012-0175).

Green streets are an amenity that provides many benefits including water quality improvement, groundwater replenishment, creation of attractive streetscapes, creation of parks and wildlife habitats, and pedestrian and bicycle accessibility. Green streets are defined as right-of-way areas that incorporate infiltration, biofiltration, and/or storage and use BMPs to collect, retain, or detain stormwater runoff as well as a design element that creates attractive streetscapes.

II. AUTHORITY

Green Streets Policy as adopted by the City Council

III. ASSIGNED RESPOSIBILITIES

The *Department of Public Works* shall condition projects pertaining to new and redevelopment of transportation corridors to implement green street BMPs. These project conditional shall apply to privately developed new and redevelopment streets. Additionally, the Department of Public Works shall ensure that green street BMPs for transportation corridors associated with roadway projects, including Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs), are implemented.

IV. APPLICABILITY

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The Department of Public Works shall require new development and/or redevelopment streets and roadway projects and CIP projects conducted within the right-of-way of transportation corridors to incorporate green street BMPs. Transportation corridors projects are *major arterials as defined in the City's General Plan* which add at least 10,000 square feet of impervious surface. Routine maintenance or repair and linear utility projects are excluded from these requirements. Routine maintenance includes slurry seals, repaving, and reconstruction of the road or street where the original line and grade are maintained.

V. POLICY

- A. The *Department of Public Works* shall consider opportunities to replenish groundwater, create attractive streetscapes, create parks and wildlife habitats, and provide pedestrian and bicycle accessibility through new development and redevelopment of streets and roadway projects and CIPs.
- B. The Department of Public Works and Department of Community
 Development shall use the City of Los Angeles Green Streets guidance,
 USEPA's Managing Wet Weather with Green Infrastructure Municipal
 Handbook: Green Streets¹, or equivalent guidance developed by the City] for
 use in public and private developments.
- C. The *Department of Public Works and Department of Community* shall use the City's Watershed Management Program or Enhanced Watershed Management Program to identify opportunities for green street BMP retrofits. Final decisions regarding implementation will be determined by the *Director of Public Works* based on the availability of adequate funding.
- D. The *Department of Public Works* shall incorporate aspects of green streets into internal annual staff trainings.

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¹ EPA-833-F-08-009, December 2008.