



## THE DISTRICT'S ROLE

The Stonegate Village Metropolitan District is a governmental entity that was formed per Title 32 of the Colorado Revised State Statutes to perform specific services for the residents and businesses located within the District boundaries. “Our Metro District is a limited role quasi-governmental entity responsible for the provision of water supply, wastewater treatment, MS-4 stormwater compliance, maintaining landscaping and irrigation, management of our recreation areas, pools and parks, as well as our community center facilities in the Stonegate Service area,” says Sean Chambers, District General Manager. Additionally, the Stonegate Village Metropolitan District provides certain services to properties that lie within its borders, including potable water and sewer services to private and commercial properties within the Lincoln Park, E-470 Potomac and Compark Metropolitan Districts. Another critical role and overarching mission of the District is its participation in the WISE Partnership. The District is actively involved in the regional and statewide water supply project between Aurora Water, Denver Water, and the South Metro Water Supply Authority, that consist of 14 Special District and Municipal members who are focused on developing sustainable renewable water projects, and implementing conservation efforts for the south metro region and around Douglas County. “An example of our interagency work and cooperative efforts, is the ongoing maintenance and service of the District's commercial service area at Jordan and Lincoln which lies within both the Town of Parker and our Metro District. Not unlike other small towns and cities within Colorado, our Metro District conducts business support and operations through intergovernmental agreements,” says Chambers.



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### **FISCAL MANAGEMENT UPDATE**

The Stonegate Village Metropolitan District operates is a complex business, with direct fiduciary responsibility over \$250 million dollars of public utility infrastructure, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Permits and responsibility for managing and maintaining recreational and open space amenities. The District manages a \$12 million annual operating budget, providing dedicated services and support to current operations and the future planning and development of our community. “We are very proud of our District’s ongoing efforts to serve the community, and over the past 10 years we have successfully grown and positioned the District as one of the most cost effective and efficient metropolitan districts within the Rocky Mountain Region,” says Lisa Hyvonen, District President and Board Member. Each year the District Board of Directors and its staff meet monthly, coordinate with contractors, hold special meetings and work sessions to review, plan and implement the operating requirements and align the budget. “Recently, our we reviewed the State of Colorado’s new mandates for Lead and Copper sampling



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following the Flint, MI public health crisis, and in addition to standard state testing, our District is implementing more sampling, to ensure high quality water standard for our community,” says Sean Chambers, District General Manager. Additionally, the Stonegate Village Metropolitan District reviewed the budget for aquifer storage and recovery feasibility study, Which may be the first step to identification and prioritizing possible recharge wells that could a most efficient way to store smaller volumes of excess WISE water in future years, and those study costs have been factored into the Water fund budget. “Obviously, we do our best to plan ahead but an unforeseen repair or issue can result in higher operating costs and overages. Any unplanned expenses that went over budget for 2016 were minimal, and are being analyzed for why they occurred, and if necessary an appropriate adjustment will be made to the 2017 budget to ensure effective and efficient operations for the delivery of high quality safe water,” says Chambers. District resident’s value and appreciate the improved community public landscapes, parks, and recreation facilities, and this year the District was able to balance its general fund without needing a rate increase for its parks and recreation. Looking ahead to 2017 public landscape improvements, the District is planning for continued fence repair and staining, as well as additional tree replacements for select locations throughout the District. The District Water Fund reserves have slowly depleted over the years, and serve as the District primary source of operating capital for its water resources. Currently, the Stonegate Village Metropolitan District is conducting water rate studies for analysis and comparison of our current and future cost requirements, and the implementation of appropriate billing rates. The District’s Sewer Fund revenues are generally more predictable, and are not subject to the influence of environment changes, precipitation, and are currently generating enough revenue for operations and funding the major repairs and upgrades of the collection and treatment systems.



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### **UPDATE YOUR BANKING AND BILL PAY INFORMATION**

Please update and direct any billing inquiries, and mail all utility payments to: SVMD District Offices, 10252 Stonegate Parkway, Parker, CO 80134. Please note if you use a bill pay service through your bank for payments, you will need to notify and change the mailing address to 10252 Stonegate Parkway, Parker, CO 80134. This will ensure your payment will be applied to your account in a timely manner. As a reminder, there are several ways to pay your water bill to Stonegate Village Metro District:

1. You can bring the payment into the SVMD District Offices at 10252 Stonegate Parkway, Parker, CO 80134. Telephone 303 858-9909. We accept personal checks and money orders.
2. Simply use the return envelope that comes with your bill, to mail in your payment to SVMD District Offices, 10252 Stonegate Parkway, Parker, CO 80134
1. Sign up for ACH withdrawal. On the 25th of every month, an electronic funds transfer will be set up to debit your checking or savings account. Visit <http://www.svmd.org/utility-bill-payment> for a copy of the sign-up





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form. Please print this form, fill out and send in with a voided check.

2. Payment by credit card through our website. Visit <http://www.svmd.org/utility-bill-payment> for our payment provider. Please note there will be a 2.5% credit card convenience fee/charge for all credit card transactions.

Please note that if you are paying a past due amount, please call the office at 303-858-9909 to notify the District of the payment to avoid any potential service interruption.

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The Stonegate Village Metropolitan District, located in unincorporated Douglas County, Colorado, is an independent entity; a separate organization from the Stonegate Homeowners Association and is responsible for four important services for residents and commercial businesses, which include Water and Wastewater, Recreational Facilities, Maintenance of Open Space & Public Landscapes and Drainage-Way Maintenance. Contact the District Manager for more information on Stonegate Village Metropolitan District, and on the many other District projects and programs supporting the community. Please visit the District website at [www.svmd.org](http://www.svmd.org) or call 303-858-9909, or mail us at Stonegate Village Metropolitan District, District Offices, 10252 Stonegate Parkway, Parker, CO 80134.