

A New Year for the District

The Stonegate Village Metropolitan District was formed in 1982, and for decades “Stonegate” has been well-known and recognized as one of the best communities to live in within Colorado, showcasing beautiful homes, greenbelts and open space, bike and walking trails, numerous parks, and new recreational facilities. “We are very excited and proud of the fact that in recent years, the local community area including Stonegate is recognized as one of the best small town places to live in the United States”, says Lisa Hyvonen, President and Board Member of the Stonegate Village Metropolitan District. The Stonegate Village Metropolitan District operations and service area covers Stonegate and encompasses the neighboring districts of Lincoln Park, Compark Business Campus Metropolitan District and Dove Ridge, overall supporting nearly 5000 homes and numerous businesses, with over 150 acres of parks and open space.

In reviewing 2014, the District has had a number of changes that help support the overall growth and development of the Stonegate Community. In March 2014, the District voted to increase the District’s commitment and support to the Water Infrastructure Supply Efficiency Project (WISE). As a participant in the WISE Partnership, the District is actively involved in the regional water supply project between Aurora Water, Denver Water, and the South Metro Water Supply Authority (SMWSA), that consist of 14 Special District and Municipal members who are focused on developing sustainable renewable water projects and implementing conservation efforts that focus on transitioning the use of nonrenewable groundwater water supply to a renewable source of supply for the south metro region and around Douglas County.

Early in 2014, the District secured historically low revenue bonds in support of the capital construction costs and requirements, and in June the District held its ground-breaking ceremony for the needed

repairs and improvement upgrades to the existing wastewater treatment plant. To pay for issued bonds for construction of the new plant, the District approved new sewer rates, which will fund the debt service payment requirements on the revenue bonds, as well as support the planned wastewater treatment facility operations and maintenance. Later in 2014, the District entered into an intergovernmental agreement with Parker Water and Sanitation District to utilize their existing delivery infrastructure and facilities. So by constructing the new “state-of-the-art” plant and working with the Parker Water and Sanitation District, the Stonegate Village Metropolitan District is ensuring efforts to improve operational efficiencies and support overall sustainability of SVMD water resources, infrastructure and facilities. In the coming year, the District will develop a Conveyance Agreement between the two Districts, which allows SVMD to utilize PWSD’s extensive reclaimed water delivery system to Reuter Hess Reservoir. By late 2015, the District is planning to store reusable water in Reuter Hess Reservoir.

During the summer of 2014, the District endured a mechanical failure of its complex irrigation systems, which resulted in the browning of some turf areas. After making repairs to the District irrigation system, as well as working with professional turf specialists to help develop a custom fertilization program for our soil conditions and watering program, the District was able to easily recover and keep the turf and landscape areas green and healthy. Additionally, the landscape maintenance operations were highlighted by the District’s tree inspection and replacement program, which helped remove many aging Cottonwood trees and replace them with sturdier and healthier perennial types of trees, like the Red Point and Royal Red Maples.

District residents are also reminded that the District Tennis Courts, Park Gazebos and Community Center with event and activities rooms are available for use year round. Visit District website at www.svmd.org or contact the District offices at 303-858-9909 for more reservation and general information.

The District and Board of Directors, would like to remind you of our annual events and activities, and welcome your participation.

**Stonegate Village Metropolitan District
2015 Annual Calendar**

January 21 – SVMD Board Meeting
February 18 – SVMD Board Meeting
March 18 – SVMD Board Meeting
April 15 – SVMD Board Meeting, start of watering restrictions
May 20 – SVMD Board Meeting
May 23 – SVMD Pool opens for season
June 17 – SVMD Board Meeting
July 15 – SVMD Board Meeting
August 19 – SVMD Board Meeting
September 13 – SVMD Pool Closes for season
September 16 – SVMD Board Meeting
October 15 – End of summer watering restrictions
October 21 – SVMD Board Meeting
November 18 – SVMD Board Meeting (annual budget hearing)
December 16 – SVMD Board Meeting

The Stonegate Village Metropolitan District is an independent entity, a separate organization from the Stonegate Homeowners Association and supplies water and wastewater services to the Stonegate, Lincoln Park, and Compark communities. 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, or call 303-858-9909, and or mail us at Stonegate Village Metropolitan District, 7995 E. Prentice Ave, Suite 103E, Greenwood Village, CO 80111.