

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, TRANSPORT, AND CITY SERVICES JO CLAY MLA (CHAIR), SUZANNE ORR MLA (DEPUTY CHAIR), MARK PARTON MLA

### Inquiry into referred 2019–20 Annual and Financial Reports and Budget Estimates 2020-21 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

#### Asked by Ms Lee:

In relation to: Stormwater Infrastructure

- 1) Does TCCS have a full map of where stormwater infrastructure is located?
  - a. Please provide a copy or link to a digital copy.
  - b. If not, why is there no full map?
- 2) Is TCCS responsible for mapping and tracking stormwater infrastructure in the ACT?a. If not, who is?
- 3) Are any private property owners responsible for surveying their property for stormwater infrastructure before gaining a Building Approval?
- 4) Are any private property owners responsible for surveying stormwater infrastructure on neighbouring properties?

### Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

- TCCS manages stormwater infrastructure asset data spatially in the TCCS Asset Management Information System. The database is updated to reflect new assets constructed by developers and "gifted" to TCCS, as well as new, modified or removed assets associated with Capital Works Projects or internal Minor New Works.
  - a. TCCS maintains an internal geographical database of stormwater infrastructure to support the management of the stormwater network. Stormwater mapping data for a specific area or region is available upon request.
  - A graphical representation of the entire contents of the asset management system database is not feasible. The ACT Governments public facing mapping platform 'ACTmapi' currently displays Stormwater Easements only: <u>https://app.actmapi.act.gov.au/actmapi/index.html?viewer=basic</u>
- 2) Yes, as a part of gifted asset and Capital Works Handover process, submission of Works As Executed Stormwater drawings and other supporting documentation is required in accordance with TCCS reference document number 8. <u>https://www.cityservices.act.gov.au/\_\_data/assets/pdf\_file/0005/397256/TCCS-Ref-08-Final-</u> Draft-V3-5.pdf to capture all relevant information for the project.
  - a. Additionally, the Environment Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD), Office of the Surveyor-General is responsible for recording easements (including stormwater) over part of a block that is leased.



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- 3) Yes. Where development may compromise the structural integrity of stormwater infrastructure, it is the responsibility of the lessee to determine the location of the infrastructure within an easement. It is also the responsibility of the lessee if that infrastructure is damaged as a result of the development. The EPSDD 'Minimum Documentation Requirements for Lodgement of a DA' include a requirement that site plans should include 'Where it can be reasonably determined, all exiting reticulated services and associated infrastructure on the site'. The Building Certifier is required to provide necessary information as indicated at the following link: <a href="https://www.legislation.act.gov.au/View/af/2016-78/current/PDF/2016-78.PDF">https://www.legislation.act.gov.au/View/af/2016-78/current/PDF/2016-78.PDF</a>
- 4) Generally no, but there may be exceptional circumstances where surveys could be required.

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