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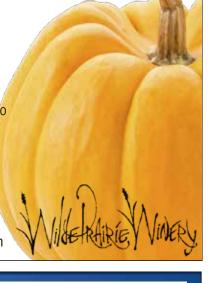
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If you are a senior citizen or physically unable to rake your leaves, we'd be happy to help.

The Chamber will provide volunteers and tools to rake your yard!

To register, call the Chamber office at 605-582-7400 and ask to be added to the Brandon Rake the Town list.

Deadline to Register: Oct. 22nd

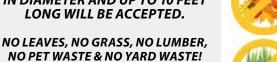




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Managing Our Stormwater

Why is Managing Stormwater Important?

Stormwater must be managed to protect our drinking water supplies, prevent flooding and preserve natural resources.

State Requirements for Stormwater Management

When the City reaches a population of 10,000 or greater, Brandon will be required to obtain a MS4 (municipal separate storm sewer systems) permit in order to meet federal standards.

Paying for Stormwater Management

The City collects utility fees to pay for the operations and improvements of its infrastructure. Similarly, the City will implement a stormwater utility fee that is based on a property's contribution to stormwater runoff. In other words, the fee will be based on total property area and the amount of impervious areas that prevent rainfall or snowmelt from soaking into the ground.

Usage of Stormwater Fee Generated Revenue

Revenue generated from the stormwater utility fee will be used to pay for:

- Stormwater utility operation and state/federal permitting requirements.
- Maintenance of current stormwater infrastructure.
- Stormwater infrastructure improvements as recommended in the 2020 Citywide Drainage Planning (see https://cityofbrandon.org/storm).

What To Expect

The cost for a residential property will be \$4.91 per month, beginning in January 2022. Fees will increase by 5% per year between 2022 & 2027. Fees may be added to existing utility bills.



Stormwater Frequently Asked Questions



What Is Stormwater Runoff?

Stormwater runoff is the water that flows off of roofs, driveways, parking lots, streets, and other hard surfaces during rain events and snowmelt. Any water not absorbed into the soil is also considered runoff. Stormwater and snowmelt that flows into ditches, culverts, and storm sewers does not receive any treatment to remove pollutants before entering our rivers and streams.

➤ What Is Impervious Area?

Impervious areas are hard surfaces such as structures, asphalt, compacted gravel, concrete, or other man-made surfaces that prevent stormwater from being absorbed by the soil.

> Why Does Brandon Need To Manage Its Stormwater Runoff?

Much like water, sewer, roadways, or solid waste systems, stormwater must be managed to protect our drinking water supplies, prevent flooding and preserve natural resources. Management is essential to protect the quality of the waterways we use for drinking water supplies, recreational activities, and for the health of local wildlife.

➤ Why Is The City Starting A Stormwater Utility Fee?

After completing a stormwater utility feasibility, the City decided to adopt a stormwater utility fee to pay for stormwater infrastructure capital, operation, and maintenance. The primary benefit to instituting a utility fee is it fairly distributes the cost of the City's stormwater services across all eligible properties based on the parcel's contribution to stormwater runoff.

➤ How Is The Fee Calculated?

The City of Brandon will adopt a stormwater utility fee to fund the City's program. A stormwater utility fee is based on total property area and the amount of impervious area on a property that prevents rainfall or snowmelt from soaking into the ground. The cost for a residential property will be \$4.91 per month in 2022. The cost for a pollution generating non-residential property will be \$0.01470 per square foot of impervious area. The cost for a non-pollution generating non-residential property will be \$0.00980 per square foot of impervious area. The rate will increase by 5% annually between 2022 & 2027.

➤ When Will This Go Into Effect?

The utility will be created as a City Ordinance in 2021. The rate will change utility bills starting in January 2022. More information about rates and billing will be available in the Fall of 2021.

Stormwater Facts



There are 3,670 parcels in Brandon with more than 37 million square feet of impervious surface.



On average, residential properties in Brandon are 38% covered by impervious surfaces.



Non-residential parcels in Brandon are covered on average, with 61% impervious surfaces.



One inch of rain on an acre of land is the equivalent of 27,154 gallons of water, weighing about 113 tons.



Pollutants picked up by stormwater can be carried to sources of drinking water on the surface and underground.



Residents can help by picking up litter, disposing of trash and pet waste appropriately and never changing the oil of a vehicle near a stormwater drain.



The City of Brandon has listed over \$6 million in stormwater infrastructure projects.

For more information on this and other City infrastructure, visit https://cityofbrandon.org/storm or follow us on Facebook.



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Ask the Motor Medics

Automotive Advice from The Under the Hood® Show

Dear Motor Medics

I want to get my wife a remote start for her 2010 Acura MDX but I need to do some research first. I have been told that adding anything to my car which has only 20k miles on it will void the warranty. I have never had a remote start, but it seems like almost everyone I know has one. It can't be that all of them have no warranty. Is there anything I should look out for when getting one as far as the kind of unit that will or won't work with my car?

Dear Jake,

Adding aftermarket electronics won't void your warranty if the part you add to the car does not interfere with the operation of the car and the installation does not damage the car. When you have a remote car-starter installed make sure the shop that does it for you has trained installers who know your car. The shop should also have the technical support of a reputable company who stands behind the starters they sell. These things ensure that you will not have an issue with your warranty. On the other hand, we have seen many do it yourself installers create issues with the vehicles sensitive electronics that resulted in expensive dealership repair costs. When choosing a unit make sure you get one with the features you want such as the range you need; too short and you won't be happy.

Take care. The Motor Medics

Dear Motor Medics.

My car needs new front and rear brake pads and rotors. They offered me three different pad choices and I was confused and haven't had the work done. I also want to know about rotors which seem expensive to replace. Why would I have to replace the rotors instead of machining them? My 2003 Honda currently has about 98,000 miles on it. Mary in Yuma Arizona

Dear Mary,

It's common to have several choices of brake pads available but to avoid confusion with my own customers I take the time to explain the difference between pads and note that pad X is the factory specified pad. When there is a choice it's usually a ceramic pad, a semi-metallic pad, and an organic pad. One will be what the factory specifies for the car while the other two can help cut noise and/or brake dust or save some cash. New rotors have really come down in price and many shops don't machine them any longer as they wear so fast that they are often too thin to machine or severely rusted from the elements which necessitates their replacement. If the rotors still have enough material and not too much run-out they can be machined but the cost may be close to what you will spend to replace them, and they will be thinner so the next replacement may come sooner. Don't forget cheaper is not better when it comes to brakes.

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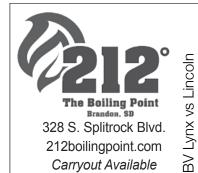
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- A \$50 certificate will be paid to one winner with all the correct picks. In case of a tie, the tie-breaker will determine the winner by the flip of a coin.

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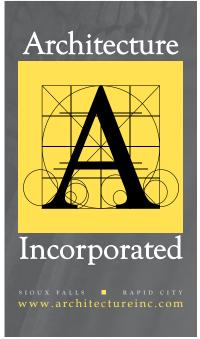
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