Potomac Yard Metrorail Station – VDEQ Virginia Water Protection Permit (VWP) Public Notice

In October of 2017, the City submitted a Joint Permit Application (JPA) to the state and federal agencies in order to obtain environmental permits required to construct the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station. In February of 2018, the Army Corps issued the required Public Notice and opened a 30-day public comment period for the federal permit. Comments were received, and the City provided responses to the Army Corps. It is anticipated that an Army Corps permit will be issued in the Fall of 2018.

In September of 2018, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) provided the City a draft Virginia Water Protection Permit (VWP) and a Public Notice which the City must advertise to commence the VDEQ Public Comment period. The City anticipates issuing the official required Public Notice on September 27, 2018 by publishing an advertisement in local newspapers meeting the state mandated minimum circulation requirements. The information will also be provided on the project website. Upon publication of the official notice, VDEQ will formally commence a 30-day public comment period from September 28, 2018 to October 29, 2018.

The notice will include contact information, for the VDEQ staff member who will receive all public comments. Once the City responds to all public comments, VDEQ will prepare a final draft of the VWP permit which is anticipated to be issued in the Winter of 2018.