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University City meeting to discuss River Des Peres flooding scheduled

Efforts to reduce flooding on the River Des Peres will be the subject of a 6 p.m. open house and 7 p.m. presentation, Thursday, June 7. The session, scheduled at the Heman Park Community Center at 975 Pennsylvania Avenue in University City, is being hosted jointly by the city of University City, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the St. Louis Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD.) The specific stretch of the River Des Peres under scrutiny is the University City Branch from Olive Street east to Purdue Avenue.

The meeting will be conducted in two parts.

An open house will begin at 6 p.m. and allow residents and other affected parties to discuss individual flooding problems with planning specialists from the Corps and the MSD.

A joint 45-minute presentation by the Corps and the MSD will follow at 7 p.m. This presentation will be followed by an opportunity for the public to ask questions and offer comments to representatives from both agencies.

The stated purpose of the meeting is twofold:

- to allow residents to learn about preliminary planning efforts and other initiatives undertaken by the Corps and the MSD to reduce flooding impacts along River Des Peres in University City.
- to give residents an opportunity to express their preferences regarding different types of flood damage prevention measures.

Meetings of this type are held to help ensure public transparency among the involved agencies and to involve the public in the planning and execution process.

WHO: University City, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the St. Louis Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD.)

WHAT: Public Meeting regarding flooding along University City Branch of the River Des Peres in University City

WHEN: 6 p.m., Thursday, June 7, 2007, presentation at 7 p.m.

WHERE: Heman Park Community Center, 975 Pennsylvania Ave.

WHY: To explain flood damage reduction concepts along the University City Branch of the River des Peres and to seek public comment and involvement.

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