

Jason Brown, P.E.
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Appleton Department of Public Works
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Appleton, WI 54911

RE: Department of Public Works Communication of April 9, 2015 on Proposed Winona Court Construction

Dear Jason,

We, the undersigned Winona Court residents, have reviewed the city's proposed street reconstruction plan and are deeply concerned about some aspects of the proposal, but in full support of others. Our *collective and unanimous* views are outlined below:

Curb and Gutter

- We all favor the addition of Curb and Gutter to the Court
 - Protects our lawns from the ravages of snow-plowing and careless driving
 - Gives the street clear definition, neatens the overall appearance
 - Assists with directing excess water/flooding into sewer system
 - Encourages responsible street parking

New Asphalt or Concrete for Court

- We all favor this as well; we are already in desperate need of road resurfacing
- We would prefer concrete to assure a longer-lasting surface similar to all tangent road surfaces

Widening of the Street by 4 Feet

- We all oppose this idea for multiple reasons:
 - Cuts significantly into limited lawn space
 - Forces costly and unnecessary redo of driveway aprons
 - Potentially reduces property values
 - In some cases will result in loss of significant plantings, or create awkward spacing relative to the road
 - Makes the Court actually wider than Winona Way, which feeds directly into it, though much less travelled
 - Will likely encourage more random—in some cases speeding—traffic around the court since it will look more like a major thoroughfare at first glance
 - Will change the 'feel' of closeness among neighbors—one of the best neighborhood features
- We would consider a total increase in the road width of 2 feet (one on each side), including the gutter (from one vertical face of the curb to the other) assuming it could be done without requiring redoing all driveway aprons

Addition of Sidewalks and Grass Boulevards on West Side

- We all oppose this idea for multiple reasons:
 - Would, when added to a 2 foot road expansion, cut a massive 8-10 feet into the properties on that side
 - In some cases, beautiful, expensive trees and plantings would be leveled
 - In some cases, driveway lengths would be truncated such that larger vehicles wouldn't fit in driveways
 - Original lawn/housing visual balance would be significantly diminished
 - The neighborhood deems the sidewalks unnecessary; traffic is extremely light, and most traffic is Court residents or guests familiar with—and respectful of-- the neighborhood
 - Adding sidewalks is expensive, with little or no perceived benefit
 - There are plenty of city precedents for providing curb without adding sidewalks

We appreciate your consideration of the above approach, which will meet some of your goals while maintaining the visual and functional integrity and intangibles of our very special, unique, and close neighborhood.

Sincerely,



Larry and Bobbie Trucco



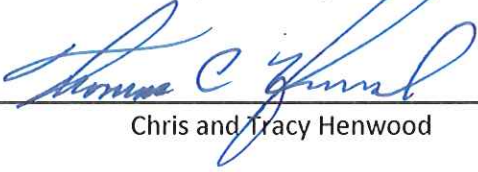
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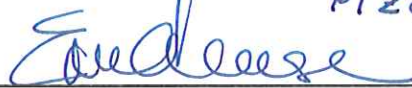
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