

Bachmann, Christy

Subject: RE: Support for Camden Road Project

From: Gary Krogstad [gkrogstad@charter.net]
Sent: Sunday, April 12, 2009 11:12 AM
To: Compton, Judy
Subject: RE: Support for Camden Road Project

Alder Compton,

I concur with Mary's comments and wish to be counted as a neighborhood constituent in favor of the Camden Road Project even though I do live on that street nor will I be in attendance at the Council meeting. It is my hope that this infrastructure improvement project will be one of many in the near future that will address long overdue problems with drainage and structural integrity of the Glendale Neighborhood streets. In fact, after too many years of neglect, some of these surfaces are not worthy of being called 'streets', especially in a city rated near the top in its class by many measures. The 'streets' are, indeed, a source of embarrassment to the neighborhood; so, I encourage you to take a stand that respectfully considers and endorses that the fundamental long-term health of the neighborhood transcends the current short-term and short-sighted objections of a few.

Concerned Citizen (on Woodlawn Drive),
Gary Krogstad

From: marybean@charter.net [mailto:marybean@charter.net]
Sent: Saturday, April 11, 2009 3:14 PM
To: Alder Judy Compton
Subject: Support for Camden Road Project

Alder Compton,

I understand that the Camden Road Project will come before the Common Council on April 21st.

I see no need in delaying the project. nor the need to be in attendance to somehow "be counted" when the Council has a final vote on the project.

However, I do want you, as my Alder, to be able to say you know, in writing, that several constituents do support this plan.

The Glendale Neighborhood Association did not make a survey of all its members (automatically all families residing within the boundaries of the Neighborhood Association are Members) nor hold an open, well publicized meeting to determine what position to take on this project before they launched into opposition.

Here follows the letter I sent to Mayor Cieslewicz today.

Mayor Dave,

RE: Road project 53WO766, Camden Rd.

I wish to be counted as a resident of the 16th District, Glendale Neighborhood, who is in favor of the reconstruction of Camden Road even though I do not live on that street.

I am chagrined by the behavior of those citizens who for years have insisted that everyone in this area is in agreement about not wanting the streets improved, or if forced into improvements, not to have sidewalks.

It is my opinion that those individuals do not understand or do not want to hear, that this project is a necessary beginning to improving the storm sewer system as well as dealing with the need for helping the rental (& some homeowner occupied) unit occupants to learn how to live in community with respect for each other & those who travel on the street.

I view reconstruction of the streets in the area as necessary to maintain the health of the neighborhood and have proposed to the neighborhood the necessity of making a formal plan for the future. So far this has fallen on deaf ears, but I hope that changes soon.

Living, as I do, on Tompkins Drive I have felt for years that this street, a collector street, must be reconstructed with curb and gutter and sidewalks. However that does not mean I think all the streets in the area need the exact same treatment.

Concerned Citizen,
Mary Bean