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**Re: NOTIFICATION – Survey Crew to Begin Surveying Proposed 2014 Street Project Area**

Dear Resident:

The city is considering a street and utility reconstruction project in your area during the 2014 construction season. The City Council authorized a feasibility study at their October 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting to be prepared by WSB & Associates to determine if the proposed 2014 street project, including all segments of West Road, Firebarn Road, and East Road between Firebarn Road and Center Drive, is feasible.

This project is part of the Long-term Streets Plan which was discussed and passed by the City Council in 2007 and is also within the City’s Pavement Management Program which was updated in 2011. At this point, we are beginning to gather data on this possible 2014 project so that we have good information for a decision, but no final decision has been made at this time. There is information that provides a great amount of detail on the city website if you search the key words “Street Reconstruction.” If you click on Past Projects, you can see the correspondence that is typically sent out during a street reconstruction project.

Listed below are the city’s core values on streets. These are the principles that will guide the council’s decisions.

**\*\*\* City Council's Core Values on Streets \*\*\***

**“Professional, Frugal, Cautious but Proactive Street Maintenance & Reconstruction”**

- \* We will use professional engineers to advise the City as to what streets are priorities (& when)
- \* We will use competitive bidding and other efforts to get the very best price and design
- \* We will emphasize strong communication and involvement with residents, start to finish
- \* When we decide it is necessary to reconstruct a street, we will 'do it right the first time'
- \* We will be fiscally responsible and do our very best to apportion the costs in a way that is fair to all City residents.

In order to prepare an accurate feasibility report, the city’s engineering consultant WSB & Associates will request locates for telephone, electric and other underground utilities to mark the location of their infrastructure. In addition, WSB & Associates’ survey crews will be in the area to collect location data within the public right-of-way. The survey crew will be from WSB & Associates in clearly marked vehicles to conduct the collection of data for the engineering survey.

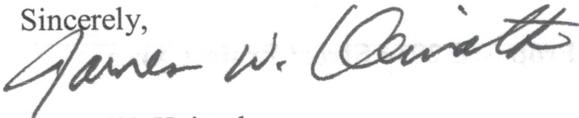
WSB’s sub-consultant, American Engineering Testing, will also be in the area to conduct borings of the roadway and the underlying soils. These borings will help aid in the evaluation of the proposed improvements.

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Once this information is gathered and a draft of the feasibility report is complete, a Neighborhood Open House will be held in January, 2014 to discuss the feasibility of the project and to receive input from the property owners. You will receive notification of the neighborhood open house when a specific date has been determined.

If you have any questions, please call City Hall at 763-784-5898.

Sincerely,



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City Administrator