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15-00247

March 12, 2015

The City of Racine
City Clerk and Treasurer
730 Washington Avenue
Room 103
Racine, WI 53403

Attention: Mayor John Dickert and the Racine Common Council
Raymond DeHahn, Alderman of the 7th District
Mark H. Yehlen, Commissioner of Public Works

RE: Request for a Hearing to Express Opposition to the Proposed Plan to
Rebuild the 2400 Block of Summit Avenue

To Whom It May Concern:

Bukacek Construction has been informed that plans are being drawn up for bidding and construction purposes that would define the rebuilding of the street on the north end of Summit Avenue. This would occur in the 2400 block just north of the intersection with Layard Avenue. Please note that we previously sent a fax to the Department of Public Works opposing this project on May 23, 2014. A copy of the fax is attached.

As I understand, the plan would call for the removal of the existing asphalt roadway and replacing it with concrete. In addition, the plan will call for the construction of a new sidewalk on the east side of Summit Avenue.

Bukacek Construction, along with our business neighbors immediately to the south of us, Chapman Landscaping and Time Reliance, strongly oppose the project as planned. Our businesses are commercial in nature and involve the following traffic types: dump truck, construction equipment, delivery vans, semi-trucks and employee vehicles.

We oppose these plans for the following reasons:

1. **Public Safety Issue:** To install a sidewalk on the east side of Summit Avenue would essentially encourage pedestrian traffic to the east side of the street and would unnecessarily expose people to danger from the commercial business traffic. Since the proposed sidewalk north of the intersection of Layard and Summit Avenues leads to an open industrial field, it would serve no purpose. The west side of Summit Avenue is occupied with residential properties and has a sidewalk already in place for their use. Mixing the two distinctly different traffic types does not promote public safety.

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2. Paving Type Issue: The street at this end of Summit Avenue is currently asphalt paving. This surface has served the businesses and residents well for over 50 years. We would agree that the existing surface could be removed or milled down and refinished with new asphalt; however, we believe the proposal to change this surface to concrete would be a huge waste of Taxpayer monies.

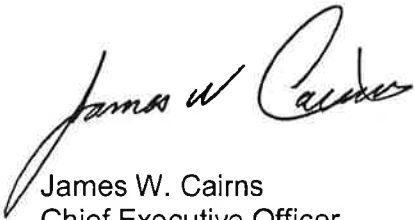
This end of Summit Avenue is not exposed to a high volume of traffic because it is a dead end. The only real traffic is from residents and the businesses that reside here. To proceed with concrete replacement will not only cause the area residents a financial hardship but also a traffic hardship by just the additional time that it would take to construct the street.

We would recommend that you reconsider resurfacing the street with asphalt.

In closing, I would ask that we be invited to discuss the proposed rebuilding of the 2400 Block of Summit Avenue at the next Common Council meeting or Public Works meeting. Please feel free to contact me at any time.

Respectfully,

BUKACEK CONSTRUCTION GROUP, INC.



James W. Cairns
Chief Executive Officer

JWC/ss

Attachment

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May 1, 2014

Department of Public Works
Room 304 – City Hall
730 Washington Avenue
Racine WI 53403

RE: Improvement Project – Summit Avenue – Layard Avenue to the Dead End

We are writing to say that we remain opposed to the improvement project that is being proposed for Summit Avenue – Layard Avenue to the Dead End during the summer of 2015. The street is currently sufficient for our needs.

Signature	Printed Name	Address
	Bukacek Construction Jim W. Cairns, C.E.O.	2429 Summit Avenue
	Darryl Charoys Sr.	2412 Summit Ave
	Lauren Nault	2432 Summit Ave
	Alfredo Trinidad	2436 Summit Ave.

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property
owners 2412
&
2432

MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING ON SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS
May 13, 2014
HEARING NO. 386

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 P.M.

1. Portland Cement Concrete Paving, S/W - Maryland Ave. – Kentucky St. to Indiana St.

PCCP - Sidewalk

PCI – 31.1

This is a staff recommendation.

No letters or petitions.

Speakers

Gayle Uick (4218 Maryland) – Opposed. Sidewalks are more cosmetic than a necessary.

Rebecca Merten (4214 Maryland) – Opposed. It will cause her family financial hardships.

2. Portland Cement Concrete Paving, S&W - Monroe Ave. – Nineteenth St. to Twentieth St.

PCCP – Sewer & Water

PCI – 32.8

This is a staff recommendation.

Letters/Petitions – 95% Opposed

Speakers

Jim Payne (1930, 1926, 1922 Monroe & 3808, 3724 Twentieth) – Opposed. Owns five properties. We submitted a petition and everyone except one person signed the petition.

Christopher Brigman (1914 Monroe) – Opposed

Christine Sundre (1900 Monroe) – Opposed

Shirley Brigman (1914 Monroe) - Opposed

3. Portland Cement Concrete Paving, Monroe Ave. – Victory Ave to 630' north of Republic Ave.

PCI – 24

This is a staff recommendation.

No Letter or petitions.

Speakers – None

4. Portland Cement Concrete Paving, - Monroe Ave. –360' north of Republic Ave to Republic Ave.

PCI – 18.5

This is a staff recommendation.

No letters or petitions.

Speakers

Jose Cruz (3718 Republic) – Opposed.

5. Portland Cement Concrete Paving, – Savoy Circle – Cecelia Park to the Cul-de-sac.

PCI – 31.8

This is a staff recommendation.

Petition was submitted at the Public Hearing.

Speakers

Francis Zurawski (2216 Savoy) – Opposed. Submitted a petition representing Savory Circle, everyone signed it opposing the repaving, except one person.

6. Portland Cement Concrete Paving, C&G, S/W - Summit Ave. – Layard Ave to the Dead End.

PCCP – Curb & Gutter, Sidewalk

PCI – 24

This is a staff recommendation.

No petitions or letters.

Speakers - None

7. Portland Cement Concrete Paving, – Chatham St. – Barker St. to Hubbard St.

PCI – 17.3

This is a staff recommendation.

No petitions or letters.

Speakers - None

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 P.M.

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC HEARING #386
HELD BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND SERVICES
May 13, 2014

	<u>STREETS</u>	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>	<u>REL. RESOL.</u> <u>RESULT OF</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PROJ. EST.</u> <u>ASSESS AMT</u>	<u>CITY</u> <u>GOB COST</u>
1.	Maryland Ave. - Kentucky St. to Indiana St. PCCP; Sidewalk PCI - 31.1 11 Properties	0%	16.7% 2 Spoke		\$82,706.71	\$47,387.15	\$35,319.56
2.	Monroe Ave. - Nineteenth St. to Twentieth St. PCCP; Sewer & Water PCI - 32.8 15 Properties	0.0%	95.5% 4 spoke Petition		\$75,360.00	\$64,362.77	\$10,997.23
3.	Monroe Ave. - Victory Ave. to 630' north of Republic PCCP PCI - 24 8 Properties	0%	0%		\$25,525.00	\$22,686.00	\$2,839.00
4.	Monroe Ave. - 360' north of Republic Ave. to Republic Ave. PCCP PCI - 18.5 13 Properties	0%	10.5% 1 Spoke		\$51,076.00	\$45,058.65	\$6,017.35
5.	Savoy Circle - Cecelia Park to the Cul-de-sac. PCCP PCI - 31.8 9 Properties	0%	100% 1 spoke Petition		\$35,700.00	\$30,035.91	\$5,664.09
6.	Summit Ave. - Layard Ave. to the Dead End. PCCP; Curb & Gutter, Sidewalk PCI - 24 14 Properties	0%	30.8% Petition		\$84,086.15	\$79,520.59	\$4,565.56
7.	Chatham St. - Barker St. to Hubbard St. PCCP PCI - 17.3 18 Properties	0%	0%		\$58,000.00	\$52,000.00	\$6,000.00



City of Racine

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Legislative Report

File Number: Res.14-0229

Introduced: 05/20/2014

Version: A

Current Status: Passed

Matter Type: Resolution

Alderman Kaplan

Final - Ten (10) Year
Benefits & Damages

WHEREAS, the Public Works & Services Committee of the Common Council of the City of Racine, Wisconsin, held a public hearing at the Council Chambers in the City Hall at 5:30 P.M. on the 13th day of May, 2014 for the purpose of hearing all interested persons concerning the preliminary resolution and report of the Commissioner of Public Works on the proposed improvement of:

PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE PAVING

Chatham Street - Barker Street to Hubbard Street

Maryland Avenue - Kentucky Street to Indiana Street

Monroe Avenue - Victory Avenue to 630' north of Republic Avenue

Monroe Avenue - 360' north of Republic Avenue to Republic Avenue

Summit Avenue - Layard Avenue to the Dead End

SIDEWALK

Maryland Avenue - Kentucky Street to Indiana Street

Summit Avenue - Layard Avenue to the Dead End

CURB & GUTTER

Summit Avenue - Layard Avenue to the Dead End

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Racine as follows:

1. That the report of the Commissioner of Public Works pertaining to the construction of the above described public improvements, including plans and specifications therefore, as modified, is hereby adopted and approved.
2. That the Commissioner of Public Works is directed to advertise for bids and to carry out the work of such improvement in accordance with the report of the Commissioner of Public Works.
3. That payment for said improvements be made by assessing the cost to the property benefited as indicated in said report.

4. That benefits and damages shown on the report, as modified, are true and correct, have been determined on a reasonable basis; do not exceed the value accruing to the property therefrom; and are hereby confirmed.

5. That the assessments for all projects included in said report are hereby combined as a single assessment, but any interested property owner shall be entitled to object to each assessment separately or both assessments jointly for any purpose or purposes.

6. That the assessments may be paid in cash or if any assessments are over \$200.00 it may be paid in ten (10) annual installments to the City Treasurer, deferred payments to bear interest at the rate of 8% per annum on the unpaid balance. Installments or assessments not paid when due shall bear additional interest on the amount due at the rate of 9.6% per annum.

7. The City Clerk is directed to publish this resolution in the official newspaper of the City of Racine as a Class I notice in the assessment district.

8. The Clerk is further directed to mail a copy of this resolution and a statement of the final assessment against his property, to every property owner whose name appears on the assessment roll, whose post office address is known or can with reasonable diligence be ascertained.

Dated: _____

Signed: _____

Mayor

Published: _____

Attest: _____

City Clerk