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Dear Property Owner,

This letter is being sent to residents of Excelsior and Shorewood to provide information regarding the proposed public infrastructure improvements considered for construction in the City of Excelsior in 2019 and beyond. Construction and reconstruction of streets, sidewalks, watermain, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer in two different areas were included in a Feasibility Study presented to Excelsior City Council on November 19th, 2018. The two areas included in the study for potential future improvement projects, Area 1 and Area 2, are illustrated on the enclosed map.

On December 17, 2018, following a public hearing, the Excelsior City Council ordered the public improvements for Area 1, designated as the 2019 Street and Utility Improvement Project. City Council also provided direction to city staff to bring forward Area 2 later in the year for Council consideration, as a separate, future improvement project to be constructed at the earliest in 2020.

At this time, work is being completed in preparation for the improvements in Area 1 to be constructed during the construction season of 2019. If you would like more information, at the Regular City Council Work Session to be held at City Hall Council Chambers on Monday, March 4th, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., City Council will be discussing Area 1 improvements with city staff. Additionally, the first part of a two-part traffic data collection effort for the College Lake neighborhood area which includes Area 1 will be presented at the Regular City Council Meeting to be held at City Hall Council Chambers on Monday, March 4th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. The first part of this traffic study includes traffic data collected in the fall of 2018, and the second part of the traffic data collection effort will occur in the spring of 2019, to include updated traffic volumes, traffic patterns, and speeds that may have changed since the opening of the Waters facility on Water Street now that it is occupied. A copy of the traffic evaluation memo is also enclosed in this letter for your information and reference. Some of the information included in summary includes:

- The Average Daily Trips (ADTs), or number of vehicles each day are reported for three locations
 - College Avenue between Pleasant Street and Water Street (253 daily vehicles)
 - Water Street between College Avenue and Grathwol Lane (1,750 daily vehicles)
 - Academy Avenue between Glencoe Road and Grant Street (633 daily vehicles)
- Vehicle speeds were measured and were similar on College, Water, and Academy
 - 85 percent of the vehicles travelled at 29 mph
 - 14 percent of the vehicles travelled faster than the legal speed limit of 30 mph
 - Less than 1 percent travelled at a speed of 35 mph or faster
- Different closures of roadways or conversions of two-way traffic to one-way traffic was also examined throughout the study area. Potential impacts of the modifications included emergency vehicle response times and redistribution of traffic to other intersections. A copy of the report has also been provided to Excelsior Fire District and South Lake Police Department for review and comment.

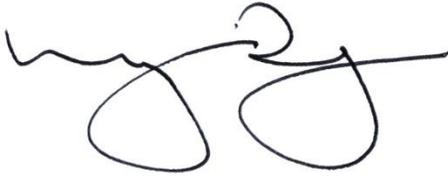
To enhance future informational updates for those interested in receiving more information, a project hotline phone number and email has been created. Please save this information for future reference.

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If you would like to sign up for future emailed project updates for the 2019 Street and Utility Improvement project, please send an email to the above address or call the project hotline phone number and leave a message with your email address. Signing up for email updates is strongly encouraged, as this is the quickest and most efficient way of being able to provide information to residents and interested property owners.

Thank you for your continued partnership, understanding, and patience as we strive to make these very important improvements and upgrades to Excelsior's infrastructure. If you have questions or would like additional information regarding Area 1 or Area 2, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us using project hotline information provided above, or our personal contact information below.



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