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Memorandum

TO: Lynn Moser, Real Estate

FROM: Scott Brimer, Public Works Street Engineering and Construction

DATE: February 1, 2018

SUBJECT: Alley improvements east-west alley in Bernheimer & Arnold Addition, Block 6
(Bounded by Fuller, Aurora, Western and Virginia)

Please take the steps necessary to schedule a public hearing on the following matter:

Improve the east-west alley in Bernheimer & Arnold Addition, Block 6,
(Bounded by Fuller, Aurora, Western and Virginia) by placing 4" of
gravel base and 3" of asphalt surfacing.

Attached are a Summary of Engineering Recommendations and an area map.
Please notify me in advance of the mailing of the Public Hearing notice.

Thank you,

Scott Brimer
900 CHA
266-6225

Summary of Engineering Recommendations

Report Prepared February 1, 2018
Final Order Hearing

PROJECT

Improve the east-west alley in Bernheimer & Arnold Addition, Block 6, Lots 1-12. (Bounded by Fuller, Aurora, Western and Virginia) by grading and paving with bituminous material.

INITIATING ACTION

This improvement was initiated by a petition and signed by 9% (1 of 11 households) of the abutting property owners.

EXISTING CONDITIONS

The alley is platted 14 feet wide. The alley is unimproved. The surface of the alley is gravel.

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT

Grade the alley to a width of 12 feet and place hot mix bituminous pavement.

ESTIMATED COST

Construction	\$13,016.69
Engineering and Inspection	\$3,905.01
Miscellaneous	\$1,948.30
Real Estate Fee	\$1,506.00
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ESTIMATED FINANCING

Assessments	\$20,376.00
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Estimated Rate per Assessable Foot	\$33.96
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INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Not yet scheduled.

SOURCE OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information, contact Scott Brimer at 651-266-6225

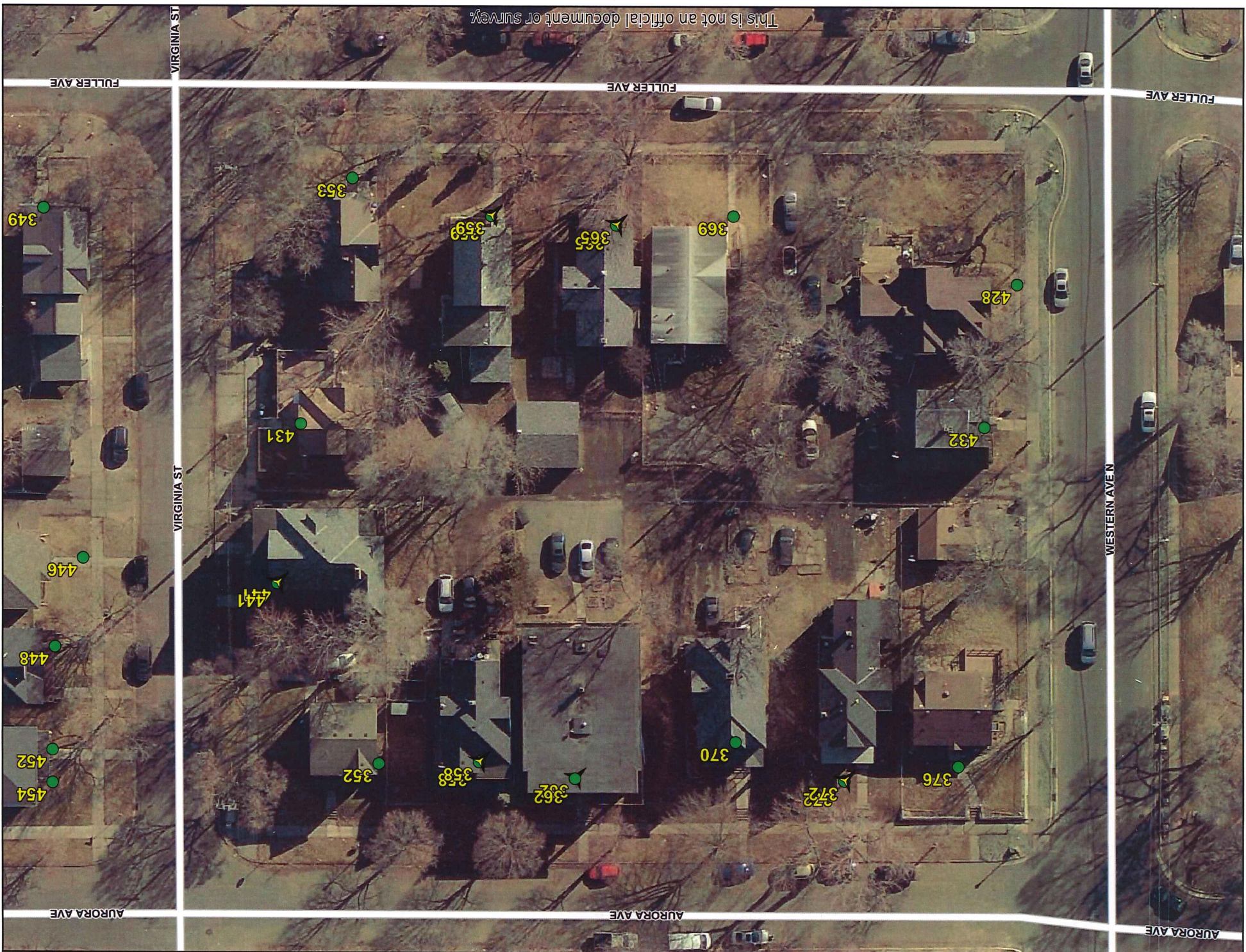
SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

The Department of Public Works has no recommendation on this project.

Respectfully submitted,

Nick Peterson
Project Engineer

This is not an official document or survey.



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To The Honorable, The Council

My name is Joshua Spotts and I am writing to you today to ask you to approve the alley way replacement listed herein. I have lived at 358 Aurora Ave for over 16 years, and this is the third time I have tried to garner neighborhood support for replacing the alley on my block with no response. Unfortunately, as all but two houses are investment properties, it is difficult to contact the owners, and this third attempt has been no different than the others. Action is desperately needed. The condition of the alley is beyond unacceptable, and has been damaging vehicles that drive through it. An overly cautious driver may, at times, avoid bottoming out on the Virginia side of the alley, but only by hugging the side and risking scratching up their vehicle on low hanging branches or running into the buildings. The dip caused by extreme erosion has created a point in the middle of alley road that scrapes the bottom of any vehicle with a lower clearance. In years past this erosion has been filled with gravel, but that lasts for all of a month or so before spring rains wash it down onto the side walk and road, creating a mess, an eye sore, and a consistent expense for the city.

There are also very large potholes, some that are as deep as 8 inches, peppered along the length of the alley. These too will get filled on a call, but the gravel just washes out after a month or so, leaving a hazard and a growing problem. This alley needs to be replaced and I hope that the council will give this the green light, especially as every other surrounding alley is paved.

