

Councilmember Tolbert:

I got the notice for the Feb. 6th city council hearing on this and wanted to touch base. I will not be able to attend the meeting on Wednesday and wanted to provide you some background to my and my neighbor's (Chris Georgantones) situation.

My house (1965 Norfolk) is on the corner of Norfolk and Sumner. Sometime in the later 1990's Norfolk had major street work and I and my neighbor on the other corner were assessed for our Norfolk frontage. At that time we were told we would not be accessed for our side street - Sumner when that got done. Ever since then we have been asking the City when Sumner was going to be done, and keep getting put off.

Fast forward to the notice sent to neighbors of the Madison/Benson project. I attended the meeting at the Rec Center and learned for the first time that, contrary to what we were told when Norfolk was done, we would be assessed for the Sumner side - a big and unpleasant surprise. I was told at that meeting that Sumner would have had to have been done within 20 years of Norfolk for I and my neighbor not to get charged for the Sumner side - this seems unfair. If it is more than 20 years it's not by much and we have been asking for years to have the work done. It was only the budgeting process of the City that delayed it.

My neighbor and I have scheduled a time to meet with you, but I just wanted to register my comments in the public record as well.

As always, thanks for your time.

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