

To the City Council of St Paul,

This email is in regards to the pending project to pave a portion of Battle Creek Road in St Paul and install a sidewalk on the west side of the road. As residents of that road, our primary concern is the fairness of the assessment. We feel that residents of the dead end roads which are accessed only from Battle Creek Rd, specifically Ebertz Court and Park Ridge Court, should also be sharing in the cost of the project as they are residents and users of the road just as much as we are. The individual cost to homeowners with frontage on Battle Creek Road is too high; ours is close to \$20,000 in total.

Our second concern is the failure to include the entire road in the paving project. Battle Creek Road is in just as rough shape from Park Ridge Ct down to Lower Afton, if not more so. This is a fire truck and ambulance and school bus route. The whole road should be paved, not just half of it.

Like most of our neighbors, we would prefer not to lose the park-like feel of the neighborhood but understand that "progress" must be made. Our preferred course of action is that the road be improved and paved its entire length without the accompanying sidewalk and loss of trees and plantings, but we recognize the city's case for the sidewalk.

Please feel free to contact us if there are any questions about our comments or if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,
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