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To: [*CI-StPaul>Contact-Council](#)
Subject: object to portion of Griggs/Scheffer Phase II
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Hello-

I want to bring to your attention the unnecessary cost and time for the destruction of a well established boulevard, with trees the city deemed appropriate 5 years ago, when the 5 trees were planted. At that time, they did not mention an expansion of the sidewalk, only that street/sewer renovations and a curb would be built, sometime in the future. This spring, the project is to begin.

I object to expanding an existing 5' wide (within the suggested sidewalk widths) sidewalk, on a hill, and destroying the boulevard trees (Japanese Lilacs) that have enhanced the neighborhood. This boulevard is on the north side of Eleanor Ave, between Griggs and Edgcumbe. The trees should be protected and saved while the street undergoes repairs, a curb built and the sidewalk "refreshed" in the current dimensions. Doing this will save the taxpayers money and the city project will less work. No need to plant trees the following spring.

Please have the project manager exert some common sense. Save the trees, build a curb and re-pour the existing sidewalk, while protecting the existing 5 Japanese Lilac trees. I volunteer to put wire fencing around the trees, to protect them, in a way that works for the project manager.

Thank you for taking time to consider my objection to a small yet significant portion of this project.

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