

## [CouncilBudget@Ci.StPaul.MN.Org](mailto:CouncilBudget@Ci.StPaul.MN.Org) Comments

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Please reaffirm your commitment to working people and do the right thing: Fund enforcement of the new Labor Standards that you passed! Add funding for at least four more full time staff in the Labor Standards division in 2020!

Thank you,

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**Subject:** wage enforcement

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Amy Garcia

On Sun, Sep 1, 2019 at 2:22 PM Deb Johnson <[djohnson0542@gmail.com](mailto:djohnson0542@gmail.com)> wrote:

Council Members,

First of all, thank you for listening to concerns from residents of Ward 1 the other evening at the budget listening session. I am looking forward to having more of these on a regular basis.

This email refers to the Mayor's proposal to reconfigure Ayd Mill Road.

Some issues and observations that we have experienced living next to Ayd Mill Road:

1. New Traffic study needed - addition of Allianz stadium, Whole Foods, new apartments - several changes so needs to be re-done
2. Road Maintenance - annual cost reduction if lanes are reduced
3. Lane closure test - test Mayor's proposal - close south or north bound lanes for a period of time and see what the impact is
4. Noise Pollution - trucks, motorcycles, loud cars at all time of day, needs measurement
5. Air Pollution - samples needed for measuring levels of exhaust from all these cars, trucks and motorcycles
6. Short-term Toll Road Idea - traffic using Ayd Mill Road to pass thru our neighborhood would then pay for maintenance and perhaps a future connection

I am in full support of new configuration and ultimately a real connection if dollars can be found.

Thanks for listening.

Deb Johnson

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Shame on all of you for shoving this farce of city planning on us and than having the audacity to say if you don't like it than we are just going to add it to your property taxes. So now I get to pay twice!, Once for my own garbage hauler and than again because my city stupidly didn't put an exit clause in nor did they even negotiate prices or research actual prices around the city.

Shame Shame Shame on you all

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