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Memo to: Members of The St. Paul City Council From: Mary M. Burke on behalf of Edgcumbe Place Residents Date: April 13, 2021 Re: Request to Revise Proposed Work in order to Follow Existing Road

To Whom it concerns:

I am an 84 year old woman who has lived at my current residence of 1615 Edgcumbe Road for over 54 years. It has been an honor and pleasure to be a member of the Highland Park Community.

The City is proposing an assessment of approximately \$15,000 to put a sidewalk in front of my home. Please reconsider this for the following reasons:

- 1. I am a widow living on a fixed income. \$15,000 is a lot of money to anyone. Being on a fixed income is not unique to me. Property taxes are already significant and this additional assessment is forcing me out of the home I've lived in for 54 years.
- 2. I am and have been an avid walker. I have never even thought about needing a sidewalk on Edgecumbe or in front of my house (which is actually on Ridge)
- 3. I have talked with a lot of people in the neighborhood and they agree with point #2 above
- 4. I watch out the window on a daily basis and I simply do not see the need for a sidewalk where I live. PLEASE have someone walk out to the property and see if there is any common sense to putting a sidewalk where I live. Many people actually walk on the boulevard and not in front of my house.
- 5. I simply do not agree with any argument that the sidewalk is going to increase property values. It will decrease property value and my home is a significant portion of my remaining wealth.
- 6. I have spent hours trying to get the plans from the city and nobody responds. There is a lack of transparency and it leads to a lack of trust in our City Government.

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