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Memorandum 16-022

TO: KATIE KOESTER, CITY MANAGER
FROM: MELISSA JACOBSEN, CMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK
DATE: FEBRUARY 1, 2016
SUBJECT: FEEDBACK FROM MATTOX AREA ROAD SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT PETITION

Property owners within the boundaries of the Mattox, Virginia Lynn, Fritz Subdivision Road improvement district were mailed a petition in February, 2015 and the petition failed. On January 5, 2016 a survey was mailed to the 44 property owners who did not sign the petition and 18 responded.

Why did you choose not to support the Petition for Road Reconstruction and Paving for Mattox, Virginia Lynn, & Fritz Subdivisions?

13 It was too expensive

1 There wasn't enough information provided to me to make an informed choice

4 I don't agree with the methodology

If you don't agree with the assessment methodology of a per front foot cost, would you have supported the petition if property owners paid an equal amount?

1 Yes

3 No

12 I'm satisfied with the current conditions of my road

9 Other (summarized)

- There were too many pages in the petition and it was confusing
- Less expensive methods could be used, speed bumps, mirrors at blind corners, hand painted signage, more enforcement, remove trees that obstruct view, sidewalks or delineated walking area
- It would detract from the "country feel", gravel roads provide better traction
- People already drive too fast and paving would make it worse
- Natural Gas Assessment
- Street lights are a more needed improvement
- Per front foot assessment discourages owners of larger lots