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MEMORANDUM

To: Brian Stineman, Public Works Director
FROM: Jim Edmond, City Engineer
DATE: March. 26, 2018
RE: Fulliam-Houser Mini Roundabout

Equipment Maintenance
Roadway Maintenance
Collection & Drainage
Building & Grounds
Engineering

INTRODUCTION:

At the in-depth City Council meeting on Feb. 8, 2018 Council requested that staff visit with the four property owners on the four corners of this intersection. The reason for these visits is to get a read on these owners as to how they feel about the project and to better define what mitigating measures may be necessary to mitigate the project impact to the properties.

BACKGROUND:

Several days after the council request staff visited with all the owners in person at their homes. The house on the SW corner had just sold and the closing was set for several weeks away. Once the closing occurred and the new owners had a chance to settle in staff again visited or contacted all owners to see if they could attend a meeting to discuss the project. On March 21st and 22nd I meet with these homeowners to describe what was planned and what impacts this project would have on their properties. After discussion about the properties and alignment changes on two property driveways the response from the land owners is: Three of the property owners want the project done as soon as possible and asked if it could be done before school goes back into session this year. The fourth property is up for sale. The owner's comment was, I understand the benefit to my property but I believe that the project is making my house harder to sell. His request was to minimize the amount of time it took to do the construction and the sooner the better

The possibility of getting a small easement, maybe 30 square feet on the corner of the property in the NE corner was discussed with these owners and they are agreeable to this as long as just sidewalk would go on this easement.

RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE:

Recommend city council proceed with the project, and authorize contract with Shive-Hattery in an amount not-to-exceed contract of \$19,500.00. Also investigate the possibility of doing the work before school goes back into session this summer with the consultant and provide that information back to the property owners and council.

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on either side of the ocean that equaled them" — Mark Twain**