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Union Street/College Street Study Area Resident

Dear Resident:

The City would like to take this opportunity to update you on the stormwater mitigation efforts in your area. Staff has identified a feasible project which would increase the size of the existing storm sewer along Union Street and College Street to help drain the stormwater in this area. The existing 4-inch storm sewer would be replaced with a new 12-inch storm sewer.

While this improvement will not completely eliminate the stormwater concerns in the area, it will provide a significant benefit by reducing the depth, frequency and duration of the stormwater that collects at College Street and Uteg Street. Unfortunately, the ability to completely remove the stormwater from this area during large rain events is not feasible due to existing site constraints such as the ability for the downstream storm sewer to take more water. A picture showing the conceptual improvement is attached.

The City will also review the existing sidewalk grades along the south side of Union Street to evaluate if any sidewalk can be raised to reduce the amount of stormwater from entering the depressional area in the backyards. The City will work with those residents directly as we move forward.

Should you have any questions or feedback regarding this conceptual improvement, please contact us, as we would like to obtain any of your feedback prior to proceeding with a request for funding for future engineering and construction.

The website will continue to be updated as projects moves forward. You can find your area at *www.crystallake.org, click "Residents" then "Stormwater Solutions"*. The website also contains background information and identifies resources that you may find useful.

In Crystal Lake, supporting residents' quality of life while protecting the environment, is a community priority. Stormwater management is a cooperative endeavor between residents, neighborhood associations, the City, and other government entities. Please take this opportunity to contact us by **February 23, 2018** at stormwatersolutions@crystallake.org or (815) 356-3611 to be certain that your perspective and feedback is given consideration in plans for this neighborhood improvement.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

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Director of Public Works

CONCEPTUAL IMPROVEMENT

