

# REPORT / RECOMMENDATION



**To:** MAYOR & COUNCIL

**Agenda Item #:** IX. C.

**From:** Debra Mangen  
City Clerk

**Date:** October 1, 2013

**Subject:** Receive Petition:  
I. Dale Rasmussen Opposing Sidewalk Improvement

**Action**   
**Discussion**   
**Information**

**Action Requested:**

Motion receiving:

- I. Petition of Dale Rasmussen opposing sidewalk Improvement.

**Information / Background:**

On September 16, 2013, Dale Rasmussen presented a petition to the City opposing a sidewalk at his property located at 5112 Valley View Road. The Birchcrest B Neighborhood Roadway Improvements will be considered by the City Council during the Improvement Project Public Hearing December 2013.

**Attachment:**

Petition



The City Council  
City of Edina

# Petition

# Petition Instructions

This petition form is to be used to ask the Edina City Council to consider the following types of improvements:

**SIDEWALK**

**ALLEY PAVING**

**WATER MAIN**

**STORM SEWER**

**PERMANENT STREET SURFACING WITH CURB AND GUTTER**

**CURB AND GUTTER ONLY**

**(WITHOUT PERMANENT STREET SURFACING)**

**SANITARY SEWER**

**STREET LIGHTING**

or another improvement you describe (called **OTHER** on this form).

You may use another petition form if you wish but the city council may reject such petitions unless they contain the following information:

1. **Type of improvement(s) requested, e.g., SIDEWALK, STORM SEWER, WATER MAIN, ETC.**
2. **Precise location(s) of the requested improvements.**
3. **A statement that all who sign the petition understand that the city council may assess the costs of these improvements against the properties benefiting from the improvements in amounts determined by the Council.**
4. **Printed name of property owner, owner's signature and phone number, and property address.**
5. **Signature of person circulating the petition.**

If you have questions, please call the City Clerk at 952-927-8861 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

DEBRA MANGEN  
CITY CLERK



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 CITY COUNCIL  
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DATE RECEIVED:  
 9/16/13 *jm*

# PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL

- SIDEWALK
- STORM SEWER
- CURB AND GUTTER ONLY
- ALLEY PAVING
- SANITARY SEWER
- PERMANENT STREET SURFACING WITH CURB AND GUTTER
- WATER MAIN
- STREET LIGHTING
- OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

To the Mayor and City Council:

The persons who have signed this petition ask the City Council to consider the improvements listed above to the locations listed below.

*Birchcrest B Improvement BA 410*

LOCATION OF IMPROVEMENT BY STREET NAME	between	ADDRESS	and	ADDRESS
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**IMPORTANT NOTE: THE PERSONS WHO HAVE SIGNED THIS PETITION UNDERSTAND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL MAY ASSESS THE COSTS OF THESE IMPROVEMENTS AGAINST THE PROPERTIES BENEFITING FROM THE IMPROVEMENTS IN AMOUNTS DETERMINED BY THE COUNCIL AS AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 429, MINNESOTA STATUTES.**

PROPERTY OWNER'S SIGNATURE	OWNER'S NAME (PRINTED)	PROPERTY ADDRESS (PRINTED)
<i>Dale Rasmussen</i>	Dale Rasmussen	5112 Valley View Rd.

"Complete list of names attached"

This petition was circulated by:

<i>Dale Rasmussen</i>	5112 Valley View Rd	952-920-4457
NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE

There is space for more signatures on the back.



September 16, 2013



Mayor James Hovland and City Council Members:

Attached is a petition in opposition to the Birchcrest B Improvement No. BA 410 initiative.

The signatures affixed to the petition do not want the proposed Valley View Sidewalk and feel that the endeavor does not comply with the Living Streets Policy.

The proposed sidewalk goes "no where" and does not contribute to balancing the needs of motorists, home owners or bicyclists, or promote safety and convenience as outlined in the Living Streets Policy.

In fact the proposed Valley View Road to Code Avenue will actively divert pedestrians and bicyclists away from the main hub of the local merchants, wreak havoc on the environment and won't link community members to any city parks or environmentally friendly points of interest. Nor does it support the bike to school or walk to school argument as we are not in the concord, or South View Middle Schools District

In addition, the proposed Valley View Road Sidewalk presents a financial hardship for homeowners existing landscaping, irrigation systems. Also, tree loss negatively impacts neighborhoods and homeowners environmentally. The removal of trees incurs larger heating and cooling bills. Smaller parcels also diminish property values by placing homes closer to sidewalks and streets.

We the undersigned respectively request that you accept the signed petition and reconsider the proposed Valley View Sidewalk as it negatively impacts our environment, does not comply with the Living Streets Policy.

Valley View Residents.

*Dale Rasmussen*  
5112 Valley View Road  
952-920-4457

Petition by Homeowners in Opposition to the addition of a Sidewalk on Valley View Rd.

Name	Signature / Date	Address
Dale Rasmussen	Dale Rasmussen Aug. 5, 2013	5112 Valley View Rd.
DAVID CHRISTENSEN	David Christensen Aug. 6, 2013	5109 Valley View Rd.
PHILIP RYAN Philip Ryan	Philip Ryan 8/9/2013	5116 Valley View Rd.
Catherine J. Ahnert	Catherine J. Ahnert 8/9/2013	5105 Valley View Rd.
Julie Deegen	Julia Deegen 8/19/13	5004 Clover Ridge
Wayne Lindholm	WAYNE LINCOLN 8/19/13	5024 VALLEY VIEW RD.
MAUREEN LINA HOLY	Maureen Lindholm 8/19/13	5024 Valley View Rd.
Martha North	Martha North 8-19-13	5028 Valley View Rd.
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Nancy Piazza	Nancy Piazza 8/20/13	5012 Valley View Rd.
GREGORY PRUYN	Gregory Pruyne 8-21/13	5038 VALLEY VIEW RD.
Mary Manderfeld	Mary Manderfeld 8-30-13	5108 Valley View Rd.
PETER HILL	5200 Valley View Rd ← → 9/7/13	
Paul R Dieser	5144 Valley View Rd 9/7/13	5144 Valley View Rd.
ART STANN THELEMAN	ART Stann Thelemann 9/7/13	5132 Valley View Road



