

**Subject: Offerman Estates and 59<sup>th</sup> Street Extension**

Mayor Murphy and Village Trustees:

We the undersigned request that the 59<sup>th</sup> Street planned extension for the Offerman Estates development be terminated with a cul-de-sac as opposed to making a connection to Walnut St. in unincorporated Downers Grove. The residents of Woodridge along 59<sup>th</sup> St. believe that this change will enhance the Offerman Estates development for new and existing residents of Woodridge as well as residents along the existing section of Walnut ave. south of College Road. The main reasons for this request are summarized below.

- Connecting to Walnut ave. will increase traffic for current residents along 59<sup>th</sup> Street by a factor of ten over existing traffic. (based on traffic study by Coulter Transportation Consulting, LLC, Revised 3/9/06; commissioned by developer.)
- Connecting 59<sup>th</sup> street to Walnut will create an "attractive nuisance" speedway for commuters traveling from Winston Hills to Westbound Maple avenue, thus creating a significant safety hazard for families and children in the area.
- This traffic diversion disrupts the current traffic pattern which has been in place for more than thirty seven years.
- A cul-de-sac will maintain the current safety for children living and playing along 59<sup>th</sup> St.
- A cul-de-sac will increase the market value for new homes built along the extended 59<sup>th</sup> street thus providing advantage for the developers, new Woodridge residents, and the Woodridge tax base.
- Diverting traffic from Elinor to Walnut doesn't help our neighbors.

Attached is a marked up copy of the Offerman Estates plan showing in red where the cul-de-sac could be placed. Also attached is further documentation and clarification of the points emphasized above.

| Name             |    | Address             |            |
|------------------|----|---------------------|------------|
| Terry Johnson    | 25 | 4 <sup>th</sup> St  | 1015 Grove |
| Dan Johnson      |    | "                   |            |
| Kenneth M...     | 25 | 7 <sup>th</sup> St  | RIDGE, IL  |
| Karen E. Daer    | 25 | 7 <sup>th</sup> St  | ridge, IL  |
| Janet ...        | 25 | 7 <sup>th</sup> St  | ridge, IL  |
| Darlene Achilles | 25 | 4 <sup>th</sup> St. | ridge      |
| Matt ...         | 25 | St                  | idge       |
| Judith R. Quist  | 24 | St                  | ridge      |
| John ...         | 25 | 7 <sup>th</sup> St  | ridge      |
| Charlene Radous  | 25 | 9 <sup>th</sup> St  | oodridge   |

| Name               |     | Address            |         |
|--------------------|-----|--------------------|---------|
| Richard A. Weber   | 252 | Wood               |         |
| Carol A. Weber     | 25  | St. Wo             |         |
| Janie Thompson     | 25  | St. W              | e       |
| Dolores O'Keefe    | 25  | 7 <sup>th</sup> St | ridge   |
| Carl W. Jan        | 251 | St. Do             | ve      |
| Pussila A. Jamison | 25  | St. Do             | rove    |
| Sharon ...         | 25  | Wood               | 2 62517 |
| Hardene Alsobrook  | 25  | St. W              | idge St |
| Ted Alsobrook      | 250 | 7 Wo               | St      |

| Name            |    | Address            |       |
|-----------------|----|--------------------|-------|
| DREW NORMAN     | 24 | St. U              | DGE   |
| Drew Norman     | 24 | Wood               |       |
| Chae Norman     | 2  | St. Wo             | ge    |
| Charlene Mielke | 24 | St. W              |       |
| Chuck Mielke    | 24 | St                 | ridge |
| Merrisgriffin   | 24 | St                 |       |
| Jim ...         | 2  | St                 |       |
| Debbie Woodall  | 2  | 7 <sup>th</sup> St |       |
| Joe Woodall     | 24 | 7 St               |       |