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Barbara:

We have some questions for you regarding the build-out by the City to address the 18-year old basement CSO back-up and its efforts to comply with the Agency's AOC.

1. Has the City submitted engineering data to the Agency as requested regarding the smaller underground storage basin built on Grandview?
2. If so, what is the Agency's determination regarding sufficiency to correct our basement flooding problems in the Gandview/Shawnee/25th Street area?
3. If the City has not submitted the required data, when will it be submitted?
4. The City had the telemetry equipment on Grandview Avenue at 23rd Street removed last week. Was this premature? What evidence is there that it should have been removed prior to the Agency's determination regarding revised plans, smaller than proposed underground storage, etc.? For your information, this was installed in 2010 at the suggestion of the Agency and part of an operational directive. This was done to protect us and give advance warning to the plant operators that the system is reaching overload in our neighborhood.
5. We have asked for public meetings so that we can learn what has and is being done and so that we might ask questions. Our requests by the City have gone unanswered. In view of that, we once again request that the Agency hold a public meeting as soon as practicable so that we can learn, ask questions, and get definitive answers. We realize you can ask the City to attend and they will comply with your request.
6. As a result of last week's rains, some in the neighborhood have experienced some minor basement backup. Others experienced seepage and overland storm water flooding. We are still contacting neighbors and will put together a more complete list; however, it must be stated that many of our more active neighbors who have had repeated massive backups for more than 18 years have moved and or died. We haven't had time to establish contact with any new owners/residents. Also, last week's rain would not be categorized as a major event.
7. The storm water configurations on 25th Street and the confluence of 25th & Grandview have been drastically changed with the recent subsurface work and pavement resurfacing. Again, we have not been privy to information on the rationale or efficacy of such changes but question the outcome as Mr. & Mrs. Essman observed storm water running down 25th, bypassing the storm water drains and crashing into the street. Photos show that storm water grates were completely removed on 25th Street. There are NO surface drains except one at a fall-out to a 4# or so PVC pipe on the north side of 25th (and at residence) and one small round open drain at the 25th and Grandview intersection.
8. The hospital, SOMC Hospice & Laundry, Hillview Retirement Center, a private

doctor's office and other development has occurred in our neighborhood that does not comply with local ordinances & regulations and are not addressed, we believe, in the previous engineering calculations submitted by the City as part of the AOC. Have you since received these data?

9. The downspout removal program initiated by the city that affects ONLY some 60+ residences in the area has been poorly and unevenly implemented. In fact, we contend, as Mr. Essman has repeatedly written, that this program has merely made the water seepage problem worse!
10. Also, no other retrofitting has been required by entities such as those noted in #8. Once again, in your review of compliance to the AOC we ask the Agency to review this so that we might understand and possibly seek redress.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

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