

Subj: **Fwd: BF Road Widening Project**
Date: 3/24/2014 6:09:48 A.M. Eastern Daylight Time
From: teg4ph@aol.com
To: aaustin@ci.charlotte.nc.us

Al????????? Helloooooooooooooooooooooooooooooooooooooo!!!!!!!

Your email of Feb 7 is below.....and you stated "Paul I would ask that you give me a chance to make this right...which I will. Alvin"

Additionally, when we met on Feb 15 at McDonald's, you stated that you would have your answer by March 15. In the meantime, road construction continues.....and since we last spoke on Feb 22, my 94 year old oak tree was unnecessarily (yet, as they intended) taken down (Feb 18). Again.....what is what? What is your position? Are you supporting your constituents here.... or the Engineering Dept, (or "staff") there? Also again.....there is to be **NO** median or "cut-through", or other contraption with misleading signage in front of King Funeral Home! Plus, here's another "again" from an email I sent to you on Feb 16.....
Remember.....this is not just a few disgruntled neighbors; it is a community still in support of not allowing a part of its infrastructure to be negatively impacted by city "staff" building a small unattractive structure (even with flowers in it) that will be an inconvenience to its current and potential clientele (often at a time of grief) of King Funeral Home. On top of all that, and within the same context.....you are NOT PESTERED OR RECEIVING CALLS from constituents demanding (let alone, even requesting) that a median must be installed between Capps Hill Mine Rd and Slater Rd!!

So....we're beyond your verbal March 15 date of "Paul I would ask that you give me a chance to make this right...which I will. Alvin"

Please advise.

Paul

From: teg4ph@aol.com
To: aaustin@ci.charlotte.nc.us
Sent: 2/7/2014 8:23:24 A.M. Eastern Standard Time
Subj: Fwd: BF Road Widening Project

Councilmember Al.....

Time flies.....In some respects, today may only be **February 7**.....however, in honoring your request of **January 7**....."to give me a chance to make this right...which I will.", this email is in no way intended to go against my affirmative response at that time. However, my neighbors and many other concerned constituents of yours, at least at this point (31 days later), are wanting to know if there was any type of time frame you were referring to with your request.

As you may be aware , construction has begun. Although it could be a much later time frame before the project is completed, we are all very concerned that one of those "it's too late to do anything about the plans now" scenarios may evolve in spite of your intentions.

To ensure we're on the same page....."make this right" still means exactly what we clarified in my email below, dated 11-19-2013.....specifically Items 1 and 2. Additionally, I reviewed those same factors with you when we met at Angie's on December 4. Again.....while we still fully support your efforts.....**when do you plan to "make this right....and I will"?**

Al.....this is YOUR District.....and YOUR constituents who ensured you were their Councilman really need YOUR support on just 800 feet of part of a project that is over 6,000 feet in length! The design of that 800 feet still unnecessarily and negatively impacts infrastructure if we/you allow it to remain as is. YOUR constituents DO NOT want that at all. All during the campaign which ended only 90 days ago, candidates' emphasis was on listening and acting on behalf of their constituents. So.....let's go. While still respecting your methodology and giving you "a chance to make this right...and I will", while very likely unaware of what you have done so far.....our recommendation remains: state your full support of our request. It's YOUR District, period. If necessary.....then call for a vote among your peer Councilmembers (after lobbying for their support). Period! And we move on.....and you have one easy issue satisfactorily handled.....freeing you up for other District 2 matters that also need your attention. Again.....that's our suggestion.....and it really IS that simple.

Essentially, if at all possible, please advise of your time frame connected to **"give me a chance to make things right....and I will."**

Thank you so much.....your efforts are certainly appreciated.

Paul Holmes

From: teg4ph@aol.com
 To: aaustin@ci.charlotte.nc.us
 Sent: 1/7/2014 8:22:54 A.M. Eastern Standard Time
 Subj: Re: BF Road Widening Project

Thank you so much for your timely response, Councilmember Al. Did you say "some" inconsistencies? You got that right.....I found "some" also.....like "some" as in "many"! We still believe, however, that the core simplicity of our request, along with its more economical advantages, will also ensure that infrastructure is not negatively.....but positively impacted, thereby clearly exposing the flagrant "inconsistencies" you referenced.

Your request for a "chance to make this right" is certainly there for you to effectively utilize. You have properly earned it.....we trust you.....and, specifically on behalf of Mrs. King, who is in the midst of attending to a family health issue.....**we have your back**. And, we too, believe you "will".....make things right.....as we have requested from the start.

Most appreciatively, and.....Merry Christmas!!!!

Paul Holmes

-----Original Message-----

From: Alvin Austin <aaustin@ci.charlotte.nc.us>
To: Paul Holmes <teg4ph@aol.com>
Sent: Mon, Jan 6, 2014 8:26 pm
Subject: RE: BF Road Widening Project

Thanks Paul. I met with City Planning and Engineering right before the holidays to determine a solve this issue. I brought up the concerns shared by you and now what I am finding are some inconsistencies. I hope to have an answer soon. Paul I would ask that you give me a chance to make this right...which I will. Alvin

From: Paul Holmes [mailto:teg4ph@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, January 06, 2014 4:38 PM
To: Alvin Austin
Subject: Fwd: BF Road Widening Project

Councilmember Al.....

I am consistently receiving many inquiries. Please advise of current status, that by now should have already been formally acknowledged on your part..... that you are in full support of no restrictions at all.....of any kind.....at any time.....for entry and exit to the north or south from and/or to King Funeral Home. There are now three funeral homes on Beatties Ford Road between LaSalle and Slater Road.....King, Wayne Russell (in front of Reeder), and Long & Son.....a stretch of less than two miles. We do not want one of them (King) to be negatively impacted. Purposefully, at that!

This community for the past two years has made it clear in many ways that we did not want a median between Capps Hill Mine Road and Slater Road. Then, although in compromising for the median, and never the less, still having a key infrastructure negatively impacted is not an acceptable option. Again.....your bringing closure to this is actually easy.....and necessary. And.....quickly, at this point.

This is YOUR District. WE are only referencing 800 feet. WE are YOUR constituents. WE feel that in spite of their possibly genuine care, the Engineering Dept. is more concerned about their initial design. Well, WE are also concerned about design. Again.....safety is NOT a factor they can snidely hide behind as an excuse. In fact, safety is a factor that WE proudly reference.....with backup data.

Additionally, if you should need it, there is support of our request matter among other Council members that can be properly utilized. If not.....please get it.

Along with others here, I remain available if needed.....please advise.

Paul Holmes

-----Original Message-----

From: teg4ph <teg4ph@aol.com>
To: alaustinforcitycouncil <alaustinforcitycouncil@gmail.com>
Sent: Thu, Dec 5, 2013 10:18 am
Subject: Fwd: BF Road Widening Project

Al.....per my statements at the conclusion of our meeting yesterday, please review the absolute latest status by carefully reading my response below to Ms Campbell's previous twp emails.

You will note that our "last stand" (*We are still formally requesting your assistance.....to have the Engineering Dept. remove the cut-thru and its restrictions in front of King Funeral Home from the design.*) is clearly stated/requested/demanded/pleaded....whatever.....and your assistance is the key factor in our reaching the remaining "20%" of what we have settled

for in order to reflect a position of "coming to center"!

Please advise if you need any additional input in whatever format.....in person, written, whatever.....on my part, or the part of any of our many supporters.....especially those of name recognition and/or influence from the faith, business, education, or even political communities.

IWe all want to quickly and satisfactorily resolve this issue.....and.....Merry Christmas!!!!!!!!!!

Paul