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RE: Consideration to Initiate Engineering Design of Robinson Trust Sidewalk Project- **Hillcrest Dr SW**

Dear Property Owner,

At their April 11, 2022 meeting at 8 pm in the Town Hall chambers, the Vienna Town Council will consider the Department of Public Works (DPW) recommendation to initiate preliminary design of the Robinson Trust Sidewalk project on **Hillcrest Drive SW** from Kingsley Road SW to the cul-de-sac north of Meadow Lane SW. The engineering design services for Hillcrest Drive will include field survey and development of preliminary design concepts- an Engineering Design Report.

The Engineering Design Report for the Hillcrest Drive project, when completed, will provide additional information that Council may consider as it determines which side of the street to build sidewalk. The Engineering Design Report will include a concept design plan for each side of the street and an analysis of each of the two concepts. Factors to be considered for recommending that the new sidewalk be proposed on one side rather than the other side may include more favorable support from property owners, less impact on trees, less grading on private property, no constructability issues such as utility poles that cannot be designed around, connectivity to adjacent sidewalks, trails, schools, parks, shopping areas, or other destinations, and cost.

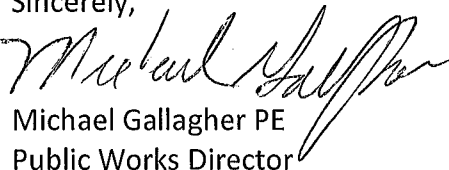
DPW believes that projects like this are important to make Vienna a more walkable community and are important to expanding the sidewalk network that will link projects together and provide safe accessible routes. Additionally, these sidewalk projects will include ADA accessible ramps and new crosswalks. The new sidewalks with these safety amenities will allow more citizens- those with mobility issues, those with strollers, and those who do not feel safe walking in the street to safely enjoy "getting around town" and reaching destinations.

Additionally, a copy of the Public Works Department's report to Council recommending the project will be available on Friday before the meeting after 2 PM on the Town Council web site located at:

[Town of Vienna - Calendar \(legistar.com\)](https://www.viennava.gov/calendar)

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Sincerely,



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