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Public Comment Item M

City Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 6:30 PM

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Please attach this document as an addendum to the meeting.

Item M - General Public Comments

Road Repairs and I-24

By my estimate, there are 4,500 registered voters living on failed or poor roads on the west side. That includes Mayor Hamon and councilmembers Gregory and Roden. These people have waited long enough. There is dirt showing through many places and you can pick up pieces of pavement.

There were 11,500 votes cast in the last election. The city estimates 60% positive on this measure. That's only a 500 vote margin. If 500 people change their vote, it can either pass or fail.

I believe the city estimates that 86% of the people feel that road repairs are a top priority. They have not been prioritized that way.

According to the "Street Maintenance Facts" from the city website, Item 3. Refer to Gary's

"Increasing the PCI from 54 to 59 would require a revenue of \$12 million per year for the next 10 years."

I want to make you an offer.

I will publicly retract my Argument Against I-24 and publicly campaign for it.

If a majority of this council (and candidates) will pledge, tonight, that they are willing to double the road repair budget to at least \$12M/year for the next 10 years, without borrowing \$59M from the future.