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Houston City Council Member, District F

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To: Briarmeadow Homeowners
Cc: John Weatherly, HOA President

RE: Update on Briarmeadow Capital Improvement Project (CIP)

Dear Briarmeadow:

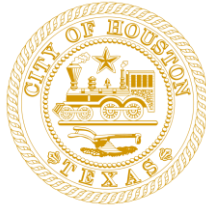
I want to address the recent requests regarding the status of the Briarmeadow South Drainage Project. As you know, Houston has experienced several significant flooding disasters in our region – Harvey impacted your neighborhood particularly. Since 2017, the city of Houston has identified a series of capital improvement projects to repair, strengthen and improve our drainage system – close to 30+ major projects citywide, including Briarmeadow.

This memorandum is to update the community regarding current plans from Houston Public Works on the **Briarmeadow Drainage and Paving Improvement, Project M-410009-0001** bound by Westheimer (North), Richmond (South), Freshmeadow to Unity Street on the (East), Ann Arbor (West), and **Storm Water Action Team Drainage Improvement Project - M-430006-0007-4**. This \$17M project was initiated Spring 2020 and estimated completion is Winter 2022.

Currently, there is no CIP scheduled for Briarmeadow South. **The initial data and studies on the area are entirely outdated.** They will need to be recreated to incorporate factors such as Atlas 14, a study used to analyze historical rainfall data to update statistical hypothetical rainfall events in Texas.

With that information, funding was not designated, nor is it available today to complete full reconstruction. **In the interim and to achieve the same results as a whole capital project**, there is an active drainage rehabilitation project under the SWAT program on Briarmeadow South that includes upsizing existing 18-inch leads to 24-inch and replacement of B inlets with BB inlets, among other improvements. This \$1.3M project is currently in construction (M-430006-0007-4) initiated October 2021 and is estimated to be completed in April 2022.

The current rehabilitation project will bring significant drainage benefits and is a faster and more economical solution. The larger CIP projects get to be funded and programmed, for which, unfortunately, we do not have any timeline available. If there are any specific road sections or sites with pavement concerns, feel free to report them to 311, and street maintenance staff will investigate. For additional comments, please email buildforward@houstontx.gov.



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Additionally, I want to encourage you to contact Rep. Lizzie Fletcher's office: **5599 San Felipe Road Suite 950 / Houston, TX 77056 / Phone: (713) 353-8680** about the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, to ensure Houston receives our fair share of funding to prepare our infrastructure for future rain events, especially in Briarmeadow.

I will remain in communication with you regarding infrastructure projects in your area, particularly flooding and drainage. I am making several meaningful investments in your neighborhood from traffic mitigation, street repair and walking trails. As soon as the new data sets are complete, I will return with more information and tentative next steps.

In closing, I would like to personally invite you to save the date for our first District F capital improvement project meeting since COVID-19 on May 17, 2022, at 6PM. More details will be shared via social media, newsletter and on our district f webpage.

There is more to come.

Councilmember Tiffany D. Thomas

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