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Subject: RE: Heritage Hill Silver Line Update

Thank you all for your hard work and support for the SilverLine. I will rely on George to present the resolution language and will ask for support from the board. I will speak strongly in favor of the resolution and vote for it. I will particularly recognize and thank HH Board for supporting the millage and respecting the process we have for evaluating routes. I greatly appreciate the leadership and respect that has been shown by everyone involved and concerned with this issue. There will be an opportunity for public comment on this issue before any vote and HH board members and others are welcome to provide comment at that time. Don Lawless 616-742-3994.

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George, Don and Peter,

I'm happy to report that, after nearly an hour and a half of intense debate tonight, the Heritage Hill Board of Directors unanimously rescinded its previous resolution regarding the Silver Line route and millage and approved the attached resolution. The wording of the proposed ITP resolution is exactly as it was presented by George, earlier today.

I am hopeful that the ITP Board will be willing to reach out and accept what I think is an outstretched hand of cooperation. Many on the Heritage Hill Board would like to move on and get the millage passed. And although I can't speak for them, I suspect that they look forward to working closely with ITP, through the appropriate channels, to find an acceptable alternative route that does not involve a residential street.

My understanding is that George or Don will present the resolution to the ITP Board at its Wednesday meeting. Heritage Hill wonders what would be an appropriate role for it to play at the meeting. Is it OK for some HH Board members to be there. Would remarks by one or more board members be appropriate, perhaps during a public comment period? I will not be able to attend as I'll be leaving town tomorrow morning on County related business and returning on Friday evening. Your advice on the process would be appreciated. I've included some Heritage Hill staff and executive board members in this message. They will be taking the communication ball at this point, since I will be gone, so please include them in your reply.

Also, if you have any suggestions as to how wounds might begin to be healed, I'd appreciate hearing your thoughts at some point.

Thank you so much for what you've done so far...I hope this episode can reach a satisfactory conclusion tomorrow night.

Best wishes,

JimT

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