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RE: **M-59 Sound Wall design.**

Dear Resident:

First let me express any regrets for the late notice. This letter is an invite to attend the **Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, December 7, 2010; 7:00pm at City Hall**. We are also making attempts to contact you by phone/email.

Several months ago MDOT scheduled a meeting inviting residents to provide input as to a preferred graphic to be part of the sound walls. Our notes indicate that twelve people attended and 5 voted. The majority, 3, voted for a Hibiscus flower style design.

On Tuesday evening staff will be presenting a design for the sound wall that is more reflective of the City of Rochester Hills. Generally, it is a tree representative of the signature Bebb Oak tree on Livernois with a meandering band representing a hill.

In the past the City Council has charged the Planning Commission to provide a decision and/or recommendation on matters of visual appearance. We offer that the Planning Commission might also offer insights as to the sound wall appearance.

We are inviting you to come and see the proposed design that we suggest is a better image for the city and hope that you would support it over the previously selected Hibiscus on a 3-2 vote. If you have any questions please call me at 248.656.4660.

Sincerely,

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