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Dear Neighbor,

Since my last neighborhood update on June 30th, the Village returned comments to the developer and received back additional submissions dated July 12th and July 21st. From these we learn the following:

- The walking path between Carpenter and Jefferson has been changed from crushed limestone to wood fibre chips or mulch, material that is less injurious to the remaining walnut trees. Those trees are still threatened by excavation too close to the property line. The engineering drawings indicate that the walking path area, now a public easement, will be fenced off during construction rather than remaining open for safe pedestrian and bicycle traffic.
- There is a landscape drawing for the south embankment of the detention pond but none shown for the Carpenter or Nelson Court slopes. I wonder whether the species indicated are suitable for the deep shade under the remaining walnut trees.
- Of the 28 existing publicly-owned trees in the Brookbank right-of-way, only 5 are designated for preservation. The rest could be destroyed despite the Village Forester's original estimate that half could be saved and Village Council members' call for "creativity" in saving them.
- Public improvements require 3,127 feet of pipe (1,371 feet of storm sewer, 1,203 feet of water main, and 553 feet of sanitary sewer).
- Regrading the land requires stripping and storing 2,222 cubic yards of top soil and excavating 4,000 cubic yards of clay. Pavement requires trucking in 1,723 tons of material.
- The "stabilized construction entrance" for heavy truck traffic will be located between the two Carpenter silver maple trees, which are shown fenced for protection.

In my opinion, the following continue to be the most important concerns that require our neighborhood's persistent vigilance and strong voice:

<u>Storm water</u>	<u>Access and safety</u>	<u>Trees</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Frequent and thorough inspections to assure that all culverts, swales, pipes, and pond are constructed and tested according to plan• Protection measures and maintenance to prevent any flooding and silting across Jefferson during construction• Ongoing maintenance of culverts, swales, pipes, and pond after construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Unobstructed vehicle access to the six Jefferson homes during road construction, especially emergency vehicle access at all times• Safe north-south Brookbank pedestrian and bicycle route during road construction• Safe east-west pedestrian and bicycle route between Carpenter and Jefferson during pond construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Protect the remaining south black walnut trees by providing separation from damaging pond excavation• Save a majority of the Brookbank trees, including the black walnut omitted from the developer's survey• Ensure that a fair share of new trees (6-8 of the 32-36) will be planted on the north Jefferson parkway

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<http://neighbors.nelsonmeadow.com>