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Dear Neighbor,

The Village of Downers Grove is planning a meeting to explain the Nelson Meadow subdivision development process:

Neighborhood Meeting  
Downers Grove Council Chamber  
801 Burlington Avenue  
Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 p.m.

This is a very important meeting. It is your opportunity to ask questions and get answers about how the development will proceed. Please save the date, get a sitter, and plan to be there!

Since my last neighborhood newsletter on August 25<sup>th</sup> the Village has received additional documents and plans from the developer and has conducted its formal pre-construction meeting with the developer. Copies of the minutes of the pre-construction meeting and the Subdivision Improvement Agreement are available on our web site:

<http://neighbors.nelsonmeadow.com>

These documents indicate that the Village is close to issuing a permit that would allow grading and construction of streets, water, sewer, and stormwater facilities. This permit could be issued shortly after the neighborhood meeting. It is not yet clear whether any construction would begin this year or would wait until spring 2007.

We will soon be able to learn whether all the Village's requirements have been met, as well as all the public commitments made by the developer's representatives at the Plan Commission and Village Council meetings. It is important that you participate actively in the Village's neighborhood meeting and insist upon the developer's and Village's total compliance.

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