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MEMORANDUM

TO: Council President Schutt and Members of Council

FROM: Diane Wolgamuth, Director of Administration

DATE: January 28, 2025

RE: Follow-Up: Request for gravel trail near Hickory Hill Pump Station

As you may remember, Zorn Lane resident, Eugene March, made a request at the November 18, 2024 Council meeting to add a gravel walking trail at the Hickory Hill Pump Station property. Following that meeting, Engineer Tom Cappello contacted Cuyahoga County Public Works as that property is owned by the County. Tom explained that residents have expressed a desire to walk through the property to get to the Metroparks and that there is an existing dirt trail that has been used by residents for many years. The Chief Section Engineer at Public Works advised that the County will not make the requested improvement to the property, responding as follows:

"In reviewing the proposal for the path/gravel trail near the Hickory Hill Pump Station, there are concerns in having a walking path/trail near a regulated pump station. The equipment (electrical, mechanical, wet well) onsite is an asset to the Village and we prefer to deter the public from accessing sites with pump stations to prevent trespassing and any vandalism or safety issues to the public."

Tom has advised Mr. March of the County's response. He thanked Tom for looking into the matter.

cc: Brenda T. Bodnar, Mayor
Diane A. Calta, Law Director
Department Heads