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Dear Neighborhood Resident -

As you may be aware, the City of Kirkwood has completed a public outreach to plan pedestrian and traffic calming improvements along Longview Boulevard from Taylor to Woodlawn Avenues and Essex Avenue between Longview and Woodlawn.

The City of Kirkwood invites you to a Public Open House Meeting at the Kirkwood Performing Arts Center on Thursday, November 17, 2022, from 4 pm to 7 pm for the public to view and provide comments on the preliminary plans for the Longview Improvement Project. The following improvements are to be included in the project:

- 1. A sidewalk on the south side of Longview Boulevard between Taylor and Club, a meandering walk through the median avoiding most trees, and a sidewalk on the south side of E Essex between Longview and Woodlawn.
- 2. Traffic Calming improvements, including permanent speed humps, curb bulb-outs with new curbing and narrowing of median cut-throughs.

To date, the following has occurred:

- 1. We completed an online survey, and the high-level results are the following. Citizens can find the complete results of the study at www.kirkwoodmo.org/pedestriansafety.
 - a. Most survey respondents preferred the sidewalk between Club and Woodlawn to be placed in the median, not in front yards on either the north or south side of the Longview.
 - b. Traffic Calming on Longview is needed.
 - c. Longview from Club to Taylor is an area of concern for pedestrian safety.
- 2. An Open House was conducted on June 21, 2022, to discuss plan improvements to Longview Boulevard.
- 3. One on One Meetings were held in late August/September with property owners between Club and Taylor on Longview and Longview and Woodlawn on East Essex.
- 4. Mid October City Council Work Session Presented City Council with plan identifying proposed locations of sidewalk and traffic calming features.

Sincerely,

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