

## Fort Wayne City Utilities Engineering

March 6, 2018

Dear Property Owner or Resident:

Fort Wayne City Utilities is progressing with design of a project in your area that will reduce the likelihood of sewage backing up into basements and will reduce the amount of combined sewage that is discharged when it rains from the Third Street pump station into the St. Marys River near Headwaters Park. Another benefit of the project will be reduced street flooding in several areas.

The first phase of the project will involve the construction of new storm sewers along Huffman Street from Oakland Street to Wells Street, Wells Street from Huffman to Sixth Street, and along Sixth Street from Wells to a half block east of Harrison. The project will then proceed south in the alley between Harrison Street and Calhoun Street, will turn east on Fourth Street to Calhoun Street, then south on Calhoun Street to the Third Street Pump Station.

As part of the City's agreement with the Federal government to reduce the amount of sewage going to our rivers every year, City Utilities has agreed to build new storm sewers in many neighborhoods that are served by combined sewer systems. Inlets and catch basins that collect stormwater will be disconnected from the combined sewers and rerouted to the new storm sewer. This will reduce flow in the combined sewer system so that overflows and backups that occur during heavy rains will be reduced.

City Utilities would like to provide you with an update on the design work that has been occurring since our previous meeting in February 2016. Please join us:

Monday, March 19, 2018 at 6:30 PM David Hefner Pavilion in Franklin School Park 1903 St. Marys Avenue Fort Wayne, Indiana 46808

The meeting will include a short presentation about the project, then staff members from City Utilities will be available to explain the design plans and answer your individual questions. The pavilion is accessible for persons with disabilities, but if you need other accommodation such as a sign language or language translator, please contact me at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions about the project or the meeting by calling 260-427-5679 or by email at <a href="mailto:anne.marie.smrchek@cityoffortwayne.org">anne.marie.smrchek@cityoffortwayne.org</a>.

Sincerely,

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