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Representative Tom Emmer  
464 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

**RE: Letter in Support of the City of Norwood Young America's Request for FY25 Community Project Funding**

Dear Representative Emmer:

As the representative for Norwood Young America on the Carver County Board of Commissioners, I want to express my full support of the City's request for direct Community Project Funding to implement the 4th Ave Reconstruction Project. The proposed project will implement a full reconstruction of SW 4th Avenue, the adjacent residential roads, as well as mill and overlays. The need for this project stems from the accelerated deterioration and unreliability of water services. Additionally, the neighborhood's roads are currently plagued by unacceptable pavement conditions.

As a result of corrosive soil conditions and aged infrastructure, water service in the project area has become unreliable due to frequent maintenance on the SW 4th Ave water main. The proposed project will replace the outdated water main with an adequate size that can resist corrosive soil conditions. This will build on previous city efforts to identify and replace lead service lines.

In addition to failing utility systems, the project area's roadways currently suffer from significant issues including large potholes and failing curbs. The proposed initiative aims to enhance pavement conditions on SW 4th Ave and adjacent residential roads. This improvement will allow for resources to be focused on other maintenance needs across the city.

Pavement condition improvements are much needed, not just for resident convenience but also for the safety of all road users. Well-maintained roads promote smoother traffic flow, minimize vehicle wear and tear, and boost overall transportation efficiency.

Carver County is the fastest growing county in the State of Minnesota. This growth is expected to place further strain on existing systems and increase maintenance demand. Despite our commitment to providing reliable services to residents, federal support is needed to meet the infrastructure needs of our quickly growing region.

Overall, this project is crucial. I support it because it advances County goals such as providing a roadway network that promotes safe, healthy, and livable communities, and ensuring that all sewer systems are properly maintained. I appreciate your attention to this important project and urge you to support it with FY25 Community Project Funding.

Sincerely,

John P. Fahey  
Carver County Commissioner District 5  
Representing Cities of Norwood Young America, Carver, Cologne, New Germany and Hamburg and Townships of Dahlgren, San Francisco, Benton, Hancock, Camden and Young America Township



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As a result of corrosive soil conditions and aged infrastructure, water service in the project area has become unreliable due to frequent maintenance on the SW 4<sup>th</sup> Ave water main. The proposed project will replace this main with an adequate size that can resist the corrosive soil conditions. This effort will build on previous city efforts to identify and replace lead service lines.

Roadways in the project area feature large potholes and failing curbs. The proposed project will also greatly improve pavement conditions along SW 4<sup>th</sup> Ave and the adjacent neighborhood system, allowing the City's Street Maintenance Department to focus its resources on other systemwide needs.

Improving roadway pavement conditions is vital for residents' convenience and all road users' safety. Well-maintained roads contribute to smoother traffic flow, reduce wear-and-tear on vehicles, and enhance overall transportation efficiency.

Carver County is the fastest growing county in the State of Minnesota. As such, increased strain is placed on existing infrastructure, including utility and transportation systems. As our community continues to grow, inadequate infrastructure conditions may hinder economic development.

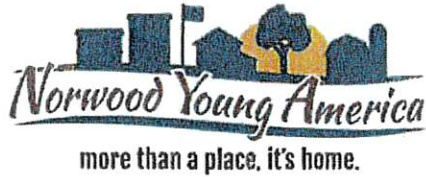
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*Carol Lagergren*

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Mayor  
City of Norwood Young America

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The project area's roadways currently suffer from significant issues such as large potholes and failing curbs. The proposed initiative aims to substantially enhance pavement conditions on SW 4th Ave and the neighboring areas. This improvement will enable the City's Street Maintenance Department to allocate resources more effectively to address other systemwide needs.

Ensuring optimal roadway pavement conditions is essential, not just for resident convenience but also for the safety of all road users. Well-maintained roads promote smoother traffic flow, minimize vehicle wear and tear, and boost overall transportation efficiency.

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Mark Streich  
Public Service Director  
City of Norwood Young America

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