

The Village of Friendliness – Since 1870

To:

The City of the Village of Douglas City Council

From:

Lisa Nocerini, City Manager

RE:

Wastewater and Stormwater Capital Improvement Plans Presentation

Date:

Monday, May 6th, 2024

As you are aware, it is imperative that we collectively acknowledge the significance of infrastructure elements like Wastewater and Stormwater, and the responsibility the city bears in planning and budgeting for their maintenance and improvement.

The Wastewater and Stormwater systems are essential components of our city's infrastructure, playing a crucial role in ensuring public health, environmental protection, and overall community well-being. However, these systems often operate behind the scenes, and their importance can be overlooked amidst more visible projects.

The presentation by Prein and Newhof this evening, will highlight the various capital improvement needs, ranging from routine maintenance to more significant upgrades and expansions to accommodate population growth and evolving environmental regulations. These requirements underscore the ongoing commitment required from the city to ensure the reliability, efficiency, and safety of our wastewater and stormwater systems.

As stewards of our city's resources and representatives of the community, it is incumbent upon us to prioritize the allocation of funds and resources towards these critical infrastructure needs. Neglecting these systems can lead to severe consequences, including environmental degradation, public health risks, and regulatory non-compliance, all of which could have far-reaching implications for our city and its residents.

I look forward to our continued collaboration in ensuring the resilience and sustainability of our city's infrastructure.