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| То:      | Darwin McClary; villageadmin@lakeorion.us; Susan Galeczka; Sonja Stout;<br>manager@paintcreektrail.org |
| Subject: | Extension of sidewalk on Newton Dr.  |

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to request the extension of the sidewalk along Newton Drive to connect with the Paint Creek Trail, as well as the paving of the cul-de-sac as part of the village sidewalk improvement program. This is a matter of public safety, as many individuals use Newton Drive to access the trail, and currently, the road is unsafe for pedestrians.

At present, there is no designated pedestrian pathway along Newton Drive, forcing walkers, joggers, and cyclists to navigate the road itself, often in close proximity to speeding vehicles. This situation creates a dangerous environment for those using the road to reach the Paint Creek Trail, particularly during peak hours when traffic volume increases.

By extending the sidewalk and paving the cul-de-sac, we would not only improve safety but also enhance access to the Paint Creek Trail, a popular recreational area that attracts many residents and visitors. This extension would create a safer environment for pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers alike, encouraging more people to use the trail while reducing potential traffic-related accidents.

Thank you for considering this request. I believe this project would significantly benefit the community and improve safety for all those who use Newton Drive. Please feel free to contact me if further information is needed or if I can assist in any way.

Sincerely, Jessica Vettraino