

Memorandum

DATE: July 19, 2011
TO: City Council
THROUGH: City Manager Judie Zimomra
FROM: Public Works Director Gates Castle *GAC*
RE: Nerita Street from Junonia Street to East Gulf Drive

The subject street is one of the approximately 8.3 miles of public unpaved roads remaining. Since 1999, residents have made several attempts to petition to Council to consider paving the road as a special assessment project. These petition drives have fallen short of the required 80% approval of the benefited property owners. The City's financial participation in the paving of public roads is justified since the annual cost of maintaining (grading, watering and reshelling) a shellrock road is twice that of a paved road (which involves resurfacing every 15 years).

If the paving of Nerita Street is performed as part of the City's 2012 Street Resurfacing project, the estimated cost (including construction, legal, engineering, financial and advertising costs) would be \$33,000. The City would be responsible for \$11,000 of the cost, with the remaining \$22,000 being assessed to the 11 benefited property owners at \$2,000 each.

C: City Attorney Ken Cuyler
Finance Director Sylvia Edwards

Dera Judith

My name is Lars and I live on Junonia 1220 and we are so happy that we where able to get our street back topped last year.

I now understand that you discussing to do the same to Nerita. We that live on Junonia are more or les all in favor for such a project and I understand that you were instrumental in getting our street done

Thanks so much for that and hope that Nerita also will be paved

Regards

Lars and Marie

Hi Judy –

My name is Issa Elkhoury and I live on 1225 Junonia St. with my wife and children. Junonia, which ends at Nerita, was blacktopped 3 years ago.

First – I want to thank you for all the nice things that you are doing to improve our city. I am relieved that we have recovered very well from hurricane Charlie.

Second – I am very happy that Junonia was blacktopped and it has tremendously improved our street and we don't have to deal with the continuous dust on our cars and windows and trees that we lived with for so many years. Also – it has not affected the traffic pattern – which we were concerned with as we have little children.

I am glad that you are working with the Nerita residents and my friend Bill Mcbeath on getting Nerita paved. Everytime we walk on Nerita to visit our neighbors or go to the beach – every car we pass blows a cloud of dust in our faces.

Thank you
Issa
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