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November 17, 2008

Councilman Bob Mollette
1705 Franklin Blvd.
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Re: Correspondence 08-033/Highland Avenue curbs/gutters

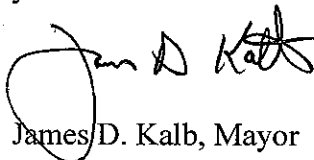
Councilman Mollette;

I have forwarded to our Engineering Department the information you submitted concerning the condition of the curbs and gutters in the Highland Avenue area.

As I am sure you are aware, the maintenance and repair of sidewalks and curbs is the responsibility of the property owner. Our Engineering Department will conduct an inspection of the area you referred to in your letter dated November 5, 2008. After the inspection is completed, Engineering Inspectors will send a notice to the property owners advising them of any necessary repairs they must make. While I appreciate your pictures of the four locations on Highland Avenue, our Engineering Department will conduct inspections of the entire area and follow our standard procedures as outlined within our City Charter and City Ordinances.

Hopefully you have already informed the citizens concerned about blighted conditions that the property owners must maintain the curbs and that the City will soon be sending notices for necessary repairs.

Listed below are the Charter sections and Ordinance numbers referring to this issue you may want to review with your constituents. If you have any questions, do not hesitate you contact me.



James D. Kalb, Mayor

cc: Bill Beaumont, Engineering Department

City Charter: Chapters 111; 112; 113
City Ordinances-Public Nuisance: Sections 1313.01 through 1313.06