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**Subject:** Sidewalk to Tanglewood from Clemmons Town Hall

Gentlemen and Lady:

My wife and I live in Asbury Place, and have since 1993. We have voted for each of you over the years. I love our community. In the last several years, the council has made the newspapers in less than stellar light on many topics. I'm writing to you on one of those issues.

Since the announcement by the council on the sidewalk to Tanglewood Park, I have anticipated it's completion. Now I learn that It's completion is in limbo. I want to know why a funded program that many residents would use has stopped. This is what I know, or have been told:

1. It was fully funded.
2. It was supposed to be completed a year ago this month.
3. There has been no communication (that I am aware of) in the local media regarding the suspension of construction.

Here is what my Asbury Place neighbors and I want to know:

1. Who decided to stop construction and why was it stopped?
2. Was the money for the construction used for another project?
3. When or if will the sidewalk be installed?
4. Why is this type of thing not communicated to the general public.

I look forward to your response.

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**From:** Mary Cameron  
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just spoke to Megan Ledbetter, our Planner , who informs me again that the sidewalk project to Tanglewood has not been canceled. Right now we are in the environmental study phase which takes 45 days. We then move on to acquiring right of way. Most property owners involved have already been contacted.

Then we must get DOT approval and put the project out for bid (another 45 days). The whole process was slowed up some what when we combined the sidewalk and green way projects to save money. One greenway entrance will be near the entrance to Tanglewood and one on the river side. We hope to start the project this year but have no firm start of completion date.

I remember you saying you are an engineer so I am sure you can understand the process that must be followed. The good news is that we are getting a lot of sidewalk for a 20% investment.

I would appreciate it if you would post this information so that your neighbors will be better informed and this particular rumor can be killed. As I said, during our conversation on the phone, this is not the only rumor circulating.

Again, I appreciate the fact that you look the time to gather the facts before passing along misinformation.

Please urge your neighbors to contact any Council Member when they have questions or concerns. It is not an imposition... it is our job.

Thank you.  
Mary

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Mary or Mike,

Did you guys speak to Megan about TIP U-6076? I am not sure what the rumors are...but that may have generated the concern or discussion. Obviously, TIP U-6076 directly conflicts with the sidewalk project on 158. My concern, expressed at the council meeting, is this new project would potentially rip up any sidewalks that are put in now... If the state knows that they will eventually widen 158, that has the potential to delay the current sidewalk project. To suggest that everything is "ok" may be premature.

Mr. Stitcher, I believe your frustration is valid. When it comes to State/Federal coordinated projects, Clemmons has to take a proactive approach towards completion. I am no longer serving as our State Transportation liaison, Council voted Mike Rogers into that position two years ago. However, during my time working with the board, I saw projects move quickly if the right people were motivated. Deferring to staff does not get a project done...that is why you elect representatives to fight for you.

My frustration towards reaction vs. proactive stances with State is documented. So I will not beat a dead horse. But, I know more can be done.

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