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Jim Smit 145 Grant St. Saugatuck, MI 49453

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1	Water service replacement as per quote and new outdoor faucet. 10% discount if paying cash	5,450.00	5,450.00
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Good Afternoon Ryan, Mayor Anderson, and Saugatuck City Council Members,

I am unable to attend the City Council Workshop this afternoon, 7-23-2025. I would like this letter to become part of the record of this meeting.

The agenda item of Streetlight Removal Request - Spear Street is what I am going to reference. I attended the workshop at the beginning of May this year when this item was discussed and I along with a number of my neighbors, voiced our concerns. The main concern was that we do not want the streetlight to be operational. That was my sentiment then and it remains so now. Apparently just deactivating the light is no longer an option according to Consumers Energy. This is out of our control as residents, however the removal of the light is an option. I would like to advocate that we come up with a means to fund the \$500 cost for the removal of the light.

Until recently, the light has been non-functional for my entire tenure on Spear Street. That is going on 30 years. My understanding from Consumers is that the City pays a monthly fee for each streetlight. If that is the case, the City has paid on a light for at least 360 months that was not operational. No one reported the light because all of the residents at the east end of upper Spear enjoyed the light provided by the moon, the stars, and the occasional porch light. Now the light brightens the interior of my home and that of my neighbors as well. Not to mention the environmental impacts of the bright light on plants and wildlife too. I would hope that while revisiting this issue the consensus would be to have the light removed.

Regarding the pedestrian walkway easement that runs through the west side of my property, I see no reason at all that there should be any signage or lighting referencing said walkway. The easement was adopted by the City in November 1993 and has been in existence since that time with no illumination nor signage. There are very few sidewalks on the hill and pedestrians use the streets for walking. No signage exists anywhere to indicate pedestrians in the streets including by the school. I would hope that the City would not choose to spend tax payer money to add signage that serves no purpose indicating there is the potential for pedestrians (particularly in a location where there are few).

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Jim Sellman

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The CITY OF SAUGATUCK is accepting applications for appointment to the **Parking Improvements Task Force**:

The Saugatuck City Council has identified parking as a multi-year strategic priority for fiscal years 2025–2026. In response, the City is forming an advisory Parking Improvements Task Force to evaluate and recommend solutions to parking demands in the community.

The purpose of the Parking Improvements Task Force is to identify and prioritize current parking-related concerns, issues, opportunities, and objectives held by residents, business and property owners, public safety officials, schools, and other community stakeholders. The Task Force will gather data and insights related to parking, including but not limited to: current and historical data on parking usage, availability, enforcement practices, turnover rates, seasonal impacts, and employee parking patterns.

To support the Parking Improvements Task Force, a consultant will be hired to assist in identifying key issues, gathering community input, and conducting a comprehensive parking inventory east of the river (and possibly beyond). The consultant will also perform a parking needs analysis and assist the Task Force in evaluating options for improvement.

The process of forming the Task Force and selecting a consultant is expected to take 2–3 months. Once established, the Task Force and consultant will work over an estimated 9–12 month period to develop actionable recommendations to deliver to the City Council. The meetings will be scheduled at least once a month and the anticipated time will be in the late afternoon.

The makeup of the Parking Improvements Task Force will represent different stakeholders within the community including:

1. One member from City Council (1);
2. One member from the Planning Commission (1);
3. One member who is a city resident (non-business owner) (1);
4. One member who is a restaurant owner (1);
5. One member who is a retail business owner (1);
6. One Convention and Visitors Bureau Representative (1);
7. One Interurban Representative (1);

Applications are due by 5 p.m. on August 15th and can be completed [online](#) or in person at Saugatuck City Hall. Please include which seat you are applying for.

Jamie Wolters
City Clerk
Dated: 7/25/28