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Below are the results of a Web form submitted on: July 21st, 2015 at 12:43PM (CDT).

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Topic (please be specific): In short, we wish to speak about city sewer and storm water runoff problems in the Again Street neighborhood. To be specific:

We have had several sewer backups in basements and heavy storm water flooding around the city-owned lot at 1107 Again St. We have been in contact with the city sewer superintendent and a couple of people from the public works department who have come out to talk with us. As we understand the situation, past plans for dealing with the problem were not implemented due to lack of funding and future ideas/plans that the public works department would pursue to fix the problems in our neighborhood are also lacking funding for implementation.

There is a hole in the sewer main sitting next to the foundation of the home at 1105 Again Street, which the city sewer department needs to re-route through the lot at 1107. This hole is allowing raw sewage to seep into the soil, groundwater, and to be flushed into creeks and streams through the storm water drainage. Conversely, it also allows groundwater to enter the city sewer system. The EPA was recently alerted to this situation. The city public works department has known about this hole since last September.

We would like to show the city council the video of sewage overflowing from a toilet in the basement of 1109 Again last September, proof that the water in our home is not storm water, but indeed sewage. The houses at 1105 and 1113 also had sewage backup during that night. The September 1, 2014 backup was only one of five major backups at 1109 Again in six years. Two major backups occurred just this month.

Additionally, we have video of the storm water backing up out of the storm drain, flooding two entire yards with water at least a foot deep. The video also shows how the water is unable to get to the storm drain directly on the street without going into the street.

We have asked for the plans that the public works team has for resolving these issues, and we are asking the city council to please help the public works department get the money they need to complete these projects.

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