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Subject: Memorial Drive

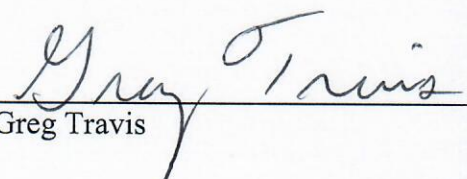
The never-ending delays have brought an increased wave of complaints from my constituents concerned about the Memorial Drive Paving and Drainage Improvements project (CIP N-000798) from N. Kirkwood Road to N. Eldridge Parkway.

As I have previously and repeatedly stated to the administration, this project continues to be fraught with problems including failed inspections, notices of non-compliance, poor construction, broken water mains, clipped utility cables, contractor personnel changes, and huge time delays (well over a year by the time the project is fully completed). Broken promises, time delays, and poor-quality workmanship plague the project. Memorial Drive is a beautiful, signature Houston thoroughfare; it is a shame the work being performed on it is proving to be subpar.

As parents map out their drives to and from summer activities, they are frustrated by intersections are still not opened as promised. I drive Memorial every day and am disappointed in the fact even completed portions of the road are not smooth and/or constructed properly. Further, I already noticed cracks and imperfections in the portions which were completed less than a year ago. I fear this type of structural failure is present throughout the entire project, and with a \$34 million plus project this is unacceptable.

I attend the project's monthly construction meetings and receive periodic updates; however, I am now officially requesting the administration step in and make demands of the contractor to provide quality workmanship and a reliable timeline for project completion. If not, I reiterate my desire to terminate this contractor and complete the project with a competent and responsive contractor. I am happy to meet with project personnel to provide more specifics.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.



Greg Travis