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Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capital Construction 900 Court Street NE Salem, OR 97301

Dear Co-Chairs Girod and Holvey and Committee members:

On behalf the Stayton City Council, I am writing to express my support for the City of Stayton's Ida Street Sewer Upsizing Capital funding request.

The existing Ida Street sewer line is undersized to properly handle existing capacity and is projected to surcharge manholes during 5 year storm events. The Ida Street sewer line upsizing is needed now because we are faced with the inability to approve any new development that would increase demand on the system. This impacts housing supply as well as business development.

- There are over 130 dwelling units that would be in the approval process today if the sewer capacity were not an issue.
- There are several mixed use developments in our downtown area that have not submitted applications due to the sewer capacity issues.
- We are currently working with Family Building Blocks as they are facing additional costs and review prior to submitting for a new and exciting planned project in Stayton due to the sewer capacity issue.
- By completing the sewer line upsizing, we would open up the potential for approximately 400 additional dwelling units, 5 acres of greenfield development and 15 acres of re-development.

Due to funding constraints, the project was broken up into phases and we are in construction on the first phase, costing \$1.8 million, funded with City funds and a grant from Marion County. The City's proposed budget will complete design of the entire project so that it is shovel ready as funds become available.

The City's funding request of \$2,685,418 will help complete the necessary upgrades to existing infrastructure and allow for new development to occur, opening up multiple areas within the Stayton downtown area to residential, commercial and industrial development or redevelopment that are currently restricted due to the capacity issues.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely

Brian Quigley

Mayor