

Board of Commissioners

Anthony J Badalamenti, President Sabrina Christian-Bennett, Vice President Mike Tinlin, Board Member

Re: Notice of Public Hearing on Sewer Improvement pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 6117.06

Dear Property Owner,

On <u>Tuesday, April 30, 2024</u>, the Portage County Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing concerning the Chinn Regional Sewer Improvements Project No. RV-0 (17-080). The public hearing will be held at the <u>Ravenna High School Auditorium, 6589 North Chestnut Street, Ravenna, Ohio at 6:00 pm.</u> The cost of the project will be financed in part by special assessment within an assessment district. The Board of Commissioners will hear objections to or endorsements of the proposed improvement, its character and termini, the boundaries of the assessment district, or the tentative assessment. The property of the addressee of this mailing is located within the proposed assessment district and will be assessed for the sanitary sewer improvement.

The Chinn Regional Sewer Improvements Project located within Ravenna Township and Portage County consists of installing a new wastewater collection system that will address the water quality violations encountered by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Portage County Combined General Health District. The wastewater collection system consists of over 13,000 feet of gravity sanitary sewer, 5,000 feet of sanitary force main, and 2 sanitary lift stations. The Chinn Regional Sewer Improvements Project assessment district in the Chinn Allotment area located in Ravenna Township includes the Babcock & Motz, Sanmar, Cloverlawn, High Knoll, Chinn 1st, 2nd, and 3rd allotments, with other adjacent parcels within Ravenna Township. The assessment district covers approximately 173 acres of land, and is bounded by a railroad to the North, Red Brush Road, and Brady Lake Road to the South, and parts of Wall Street and Sanmar Street to the East. See the enclosed Map which illustrates the location of the assessment district and new sewer system.

Constructing the new public wastewater collection system has a cost estimate at \$11,050,000.00. This cost is supported by grants and subsidies in the amount of \$6,856,250.00. The difference and current tentative assessment cost is \$4,193,750.00, which equates to \$16,450.00 per benefit unit. Benefitting parcels to be assessed within the assessment district are assigned a minimum of one Benefit Unit. Benefit units are described in the Assessment Methodology document enclosed. By applying the assessment methodology throughout the assessment district, each parcel subject to assessment is assigned a benefit unit, or in some cases multiple benefit units. These costs presented in this letter are based on an estimated cost at this time. The project is scheduled for an upcoming advertisement and competitive public bid process where a contractor and post-bid cost will be determined. Once the total cost and assessment have been finalized,



8116 Infirmary Rd. Ravenna, OH 44266 330.297.3670 330.297.3689 (fax) "An Equal Opportunity Employer" "To provide public water and wastewater services in order to preserve and promote the health and safety of the Portage County Community." property owners may pay the assessment with a one-time payment, or over a period of years semiannually with their tax bills.

Please note that the cost to connect to the new sewer within your private property, the individual sewer permit, and the capacity fee to connect to the sewer system has additional costs to the property owner. The Portage County sewer system connection fee, including permit at this time is \$5,720.00, which has options for payment by installment through the Board of Commissioners. The private property sewer lateral construction cost is not included as part of the public assessment portion of the project. The private property sewer lateral construct the ability to choose a contractor who will construct their private property sewer lateral connection to the street right of way location.

The detailed plans, specifications, estimate of cost and tentative assessments for the Project are on file and may be examined in the office of the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, County Administration Building, 449 South Meridian Street, 7th Floor, Ravenna, Ohio 44266 and in the office of the Portage County Water Resources Department, 8116 Infirmary Road, Ravenna, Ohio 44266.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Joe Andrassy at Portage County Water Resources at 330-298-3036 or jandrassy@portageco.com. You may also bring questions to the public hearing or write out your position and send it to the Board at: Portage County Board of Commissioners, 449 South Meridian Street, Ravenna, OH 44266. Written objections or endorsements of the proposed sewer improvement project will be received by the Board for a period of five (5) days after the public hearing.

Sincerely,

Portage County Water Resources Department and the Portage County Board of Commissioners

Assessment District and Sewer System

