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Dear Kalamazoo Bicycle Club (KBC)
Zolten Cohen, KBC President
Douglas Kirk, KBC Vice President
Michael Boersma, KBC Secretary
John Olbrot KBC Treasurer

The Kalamazoo County Road Commission (KCRC) is in receipt of your letter dated November 19, 2014 regarding our 12<sup>th</sup> Street Safety Improvement project completed in 2014. First and foremost, the KCRC is responsible for making decisions regarding construction and safety along our ro adways. The section of 12<sup>th</sup> Street was identified for a safety project due to accidents, and to mitigate these accidents, certain elements were required to obtain the funding. One of those safety elements was the rumble strips which data shows has the greatest impact in crash reductions. The rumble strips were accepted as part of the project application/funding and are required to remain.

As the KCRC continues to address construction and safety along our roads and bridges, we will determine the best engineering solution that protects the traveling public and may include the installation of rumble strips.

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Thank you for voicing your concerns, however the rumble strips on 12<sup>th</sup> Street will remain and future installation of them will be determined by the KCRC.

Sincerely,

CC:

Jøanna I. Johnson

Managing Director

Board of County Road Commissioners of Kalamazoo County Libby Heiny-Cogswell, Oshtemo Township Supervisor

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