

3165 North Chevy Chase Drive
Glendale, California
June 21, 1938

The City Council
City of Glendale
Glendale, California

Gentlemen:

At the suggestion of Mr. Ingham and Mr. Albers, I present the facts concerning the condition of North Chevy Chase Drive, for your consideration in connection with the study of the budget for the Year 1938-1939.

Since January 1934, with the above normal rains we have had, water has forced its way to the surface of the roadway with the result that a dangerous condition is present at all times. Chevy Chase Drive is laid on the course of the natural outfall from a large drainage area and there is no way of diverting or holding back sub-surface waters. The road itself is constructed of concrete and the surface, when wet, is very slippery.

Chevy Chase Drive is a heavily travelled road and its condition is a constant menace to those using the road. There have been many accidents, most of which are not of a nature normally reported to the police, as only one car is involved. During one period of one month, when ice was on the roadway nearly every morning, thirty cars were overturned at only one spot on the roadway. This month, on three successive days, there were three accidents, all the result of skidding on the wet pavement, and crashing into the high curbs. In one of these accidents a woman was badly cut about the face and a little girl had her front teeth knocked out; in another, the bus loaded with school children crashed into the curb, breaking a number of windows but without injury to any one; the other resulted in a badly damaged car when it turned over, but no one was hurt.

We have discussed the matter with Mr. Ingham and Mr. Albers and each has agreed with us that a dangerous condition exists that should be corrected. They have stated that no funds are provided in the 1938-1939 budget you are now considering for this very necessary work.

Mr. Albers tells us that relief could be secured by placing drains in the center of the street at a few places and

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leading the water into the gutters. He estimates that the total cost of such work will be \$5000.

We ask that the sum of \$5000 be included in your budget for 1938-1939 specifically ear-marked for this work, and that the work be done before the rainy season begins.

Very truly yours,

R. L. Minckler, President
Chevy Chase Estates Association

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