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**To:** [Board of Representatives](#)  
**Subject:** Section 214-32 of the Code of Ordinances: Support for Reinstating a Two-Thirds Vote Requirement for Private Road Evaluation  
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Dear Members of the Legislative & Rules Committee:

I am a homeowner on a private road in North Stamford, and my neighbors and I have been working to understand what would be required to bring our street up to standard for potential acceptance.

We organized a petition and held meetings to share information and discuss differing perspectives. While many property owners were willing to support assessment of the road, a few were hesitant to sign without knowing the potential costs and implications.

Previously, petitions to authorize the city to inspect a private road required a simple majority to move forward. The new requirement, 100% agreement, creates a “catch-22” in which the very process of learning what is required is blocked by an unattainable requirement. Reinstating the two-thirds requirement would allow communities like ours to responsibly explore options while respecting diverse viewpoints.

I respectfully ask the Committee to consider reinstating the two-thirds vote requirement to allow private road evaluations to proceed in a fair and practical manner.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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