

to be a necessary component of an expanded and extended East Post Road. We should strive to preserve our natural beauty not destroy it and pave it. The expanded road only serves Marion retail interests and provides no value to the Cedar Rapids residents who will be asked to pay for it. There are alternatives to paving a newly expanded road through an existing residential neighborhood. The Engineering Department attempts to justify expanding the road because of traffic, but the traffic originates outside CR (mainly Marion) and Marion refuses to solve their own traffic issues. Cedar Rapids should preserve its beautiful residential neighborhoods. Thanks for listening.