

**CITY OF PORTAGE, MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE NECESSITY OF A
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT IMPROVEMENT BY THE CITY OF PORTAGE
SOUTH WESTNEDGE AVENUE WATER MAIN PROJECT,
DISTRICT #315-W**

TO THE OWNERS OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Portage has declared its intention to construct the following public improvement:

Install water main and appurtenances in South Westnedge Avenue from Osterhout Avenue to Mattenson Court to serve existing properties on South Westnedge Avenue. Water services will be installed to all developed properties and are included in the assessment.

and has designated the special assessment district against which all, or a part of the cost of said improvement is to be assessed, as consisting of all the following described land, to wit:

Unplatted Land: Beginning at the southwest corner of Section 34, Town 3 South, Range 11 West, City of Portage, Kalamazoo County, Michigan thence east along south section line of said Section 34 303.96 feet, thence north 348.04 feet to the southeast corner of the plat of Matteson's Estate, thence west along the south line of said plat 303.96 feet, thence south 66 feet to the southeast corner of Matteson Court, a private street, thence southwesterly 99.48 feet along an arc of curve to the left, thence South 60 degrees west 60 feet, thence southwesterly 163.63 feet along an arc of curve right, thence South 19 degrees 23 minutes 32 second east 182 feet more or less to south section line of Section 33, thence east along said section line of Section 33 335.0 feet more or less to the southwest corner post of Section 34 at the point of beginning of this description.

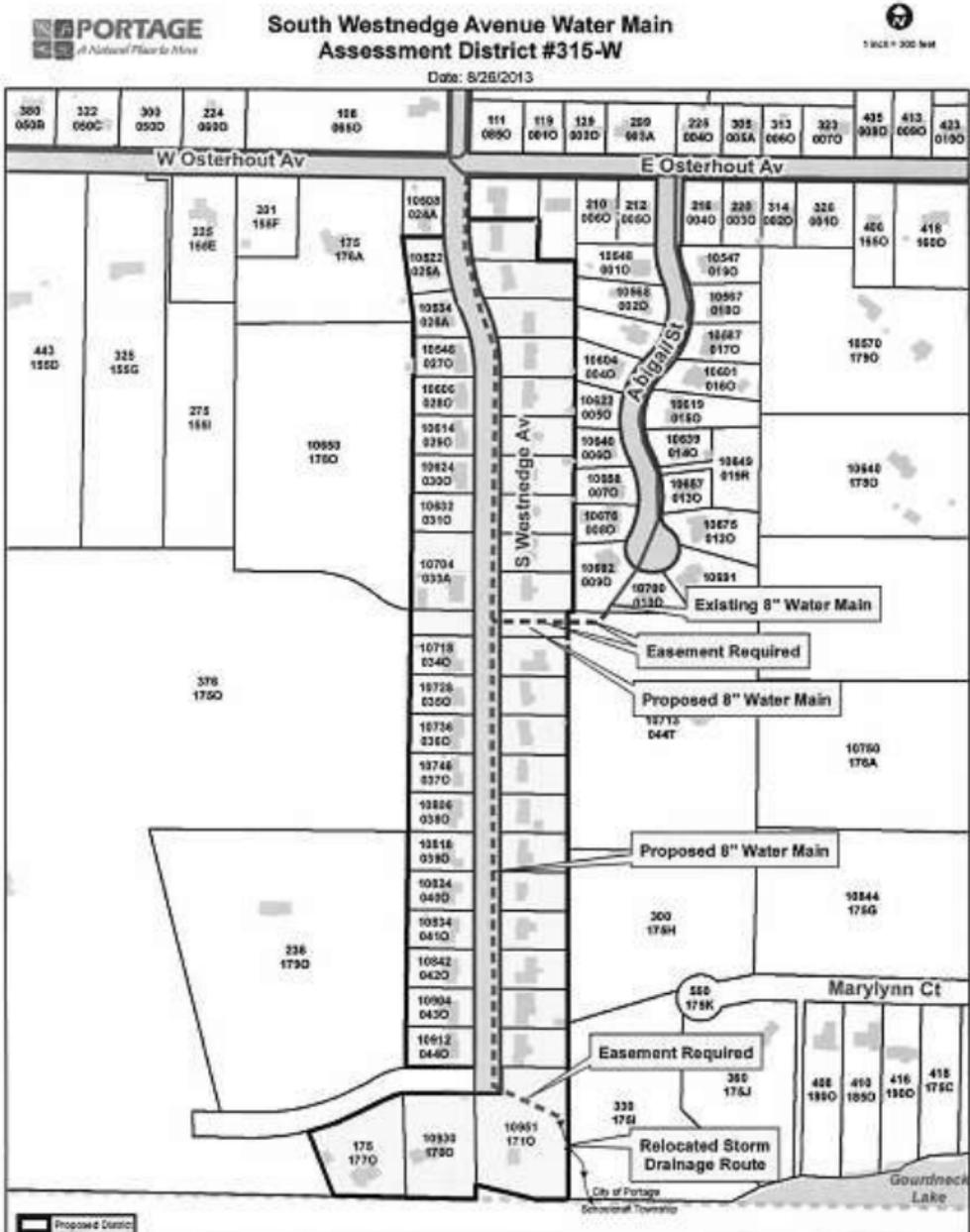
Platted Land: Lots located in the recorded plat of Matteson's Estates situated within the southwest quarter of Sections 33 and 34, Town 3 South, Range 11 West, City of Portage, Kalamazoo County, Michigan and said lots being more particularly described as follows:

Lots 3 through 23, Lots 25 through 44, Outlot A and Outlot B all inclusive as originally recorded in the plat of Matteson's Estates.

A report concerning said improvement has been prepared and is on file with the City Clerk for public examination.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the City Council will meet on the 8th day of October, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard, at the City Hall, 7900 South Westnedge Avenue, in the City of Portage, for the purpose of hearing all interested parties concerning the necessity of said improvement and the special assessment district therefor.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if, prior to the adoption of the resolution to proceed with the improvement, written objections have been filed by either 1) a majority of owners of property in the district, or 2) owners in the district who will be required to pay more than fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the public improvement, the affirmative vote of five (5) or more members of the Council is needed to proceed with the improvement.



PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the owner or any person having an interest in property that is specially assessed may file a written appeal with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after confirmation of the special assessment roll. However, appearance and protest at the public hearing are required in order to appeal the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner or other party in interest or his or her agent may (1) appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment or (2) file his or her appearance or protest by letter before the close of the hearing. The City Council shall maintain a record of parties who appear to protest at the hearing. If the hearing is terminated or adjourned for the day before a party is provided the opportunity to be heard, a party whose appearance was recorded shall be considered to have protested the special assessment in person.