



I am requesting that the city council allow my business to put a banner on the face of my building until the road construction is completed on frontage road. I am a small business owner struggling to keep the doors open during tough economic times. The road construction has not helped. Not only has it killed my traffic I have also been abused by the different construction and utility companies. Some examples of this are, equipment being parked on my asphalt repeatedly without permission causing damage because of the excessive weight. KCPL backed into a vehicle causing \$2,000 worth of damage and they did not take responsibility, the waste water company even takes it upon themselves to use our hose to fill up their equipment with water without permission, after being told not to. The list goes on and on, needless to say our experience of doing business in this location has not been the best since last August.

The traffic on our road was only to be shut down for 87 days; it has now been 9 months. I cannot afford to keep my doors open, and overland park residents employed without your help. The banner will cause people to realize that I am still open and offers an incentive for them to find their way to my business. I am a lifelong resident of the area as are many of my employees; please help with allowing me to have this banner until construction is complete.

