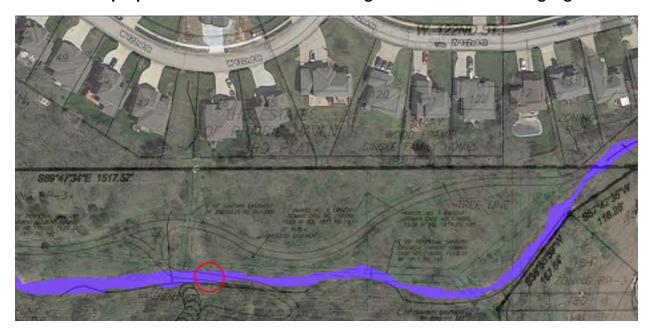
## Summerfield proposal overlaid on a satellite image with the creek bed highlighted.



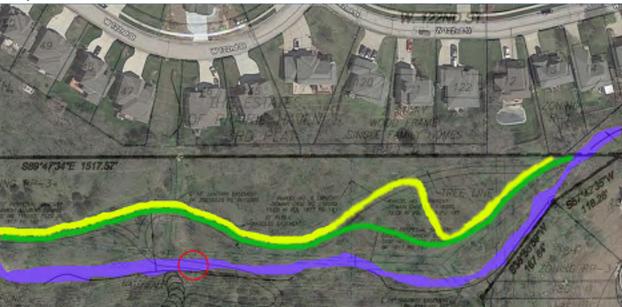
The walking path from the Summerfield proposal follows the original road-cut which was cleared for maintenance to the piping buried in the city's perpetual sanitary easement.

## **Most Recent Road Cut**



In 2016, maintenance was performed to piping buried along the perpetual sanitary easement. The contractors cut a different road at that time. The current path of least resistance is shown here in Yellow. I presume this change was made because the contractor identified the improvements to the land in that area behind our home and decided to clear their road around rather than through the improved area.

## **Proposed Nature Trail**



The path shown in green offers the following benefits:

- 1) The nature path will display, "Nature" on both sides of the path, keeping the creek in view and woods on the opposite side of the path rather than walking within an arms-reach of privacy fences.
- 2) The existing mature trees and perennial flowers which now reside in the path of the original road-cut can be preserved and their beauty can be shared with those using the path rather than being paved beneath it.
- 3) The proposed path (in green) will require less material to construct than following the most recent road-cut (ie. Path of least resistance in yellow) and a de minimis difference in materials between it and the Summerfield proposed path.
- 4) The proposed path (in green) tracks along the creek which is far more interesting and welcoming than a sidewalk bordered by privacy fences.
- 5) The property owners have long been accustomed to the only visitors behind our fences being deer, squirrels, raccoons, rabbits, opossum, and turkeys. Seeing people back there will be much easier on us if they aren't interacting like "Wilson" from "Home Improvement."



## Questions-

- 1. Red Circle superimposed on the Summerfield Plan- The Summerfield path and the creek seem to cross here in a way that doesn't clearly suggest a bridge will be constructed. What are the plans for this crossing?
- 2. Will any of the construction adversely impact the aquatic life currently residing in the creek? Chorus frogs and several species of fish have been observed there as well as signs that beaver have been present as recently as summer 2018.