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Dear Mr. Mendoza,

It is my understanding that a one million dollar contract was recently signed with Hard Rock Construction for sidewalk / curbing repairs in the French Quarter. We appreciate that this is currently not enough to address all the needs of the French Quarter. So as to best utilize this funding, my office has contacted the stakeholders of the community to request their top priorities.

It is also my understanding that you want to use the ADA suggestions to determine which work will occur. Our hope is that you cross check that list against the community so as to address the most pressing issues.

Attached please find the TOP 10 Public Works issues in the French Quarter submitted by the following organizations:

- The Greater New Orleans Hotel & Lodging Association
- Louisiana State Museum
- VCPORA / FQC
- Patio Planters
- French Quarter Business Association
- Meeting of the Minds (M.O.M.)

I have attached a spreadsheet with each issue for your convenience. Please take the French Quarter neighborhood and business priorities into consideration as you allocate funding for the "specialty pavement rehabilitation" projects.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Palmer", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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Sam Rykels, *Louisiana State Museum*  
Jim Funk, *Louisiana Restaurant Association*  
J. Stephen Perry, *New Orleans Convention & Visitors Bureau*  
Laurie Touns, *North Rampart Mainstreet*  
Kalen Wright, *Lower Quarter Citizens Against Crime*  
BB St. Romain, *Cops 8*

Location	Issue	Submitting Organization
All over French Quarter	Yellow stripes needed to mark corner zones	VCPORA / FQC
Barracks - 900 block	Up-river side along Cabrini Park, sidewalk crumbling along the whole block	M.O.M.
Bienville bt Royal and Bourbon - 700 block	Replace broken slates and repair sidewalk	Greater New Orleans Hotel & Lodging Association
Bourbon	Replacing the bricks is great, but we need sturdier material because it will be torn up again in a few years due to the delivery trucks	FQBA
Bourbon - 1000 block	The street, curb and sidewalk dip allowing the trash truck residue to collect. Rancid water pools 5 feet in both directions	M.O.M.
Bourbon & St. Philip	Curb metal is sticking out on the up-river corner over the storm drain	M.O.M.
Bourbon and Bienville - corner	Curb is broken off and missing	Greater New Orleans Hotel & Lodging Association
Bourbon - 300 block bt Bienville & Conti	Repair Drainage	Greater New Orleans Hotel & Lodging Association
Burgundy - 100 Block	Streets and sidewalk in disrepair - After completion of construction, repairs should be done by building owner that did construction	VCPORA / FQC; Patio Planters
Burgundy - several blocks of Lower Burgundy	out-of-use manhole has lost its cover, surrounding sidewalk	Patio Planters
Chartres - 1300 block	Worst streets in the FQ for bicyclists	VCPORA / FQC
Chartres & Iberville		FQBA
Chartres from St. Ann to Esplanade		Patio Planters
Conti from Rampart to Royal	Repave / Resurface	Greater New Orleans Hotel & Lodging Association
Decatur - 1100 block	Sidewalk crumbling	FQBA
Dorsiere	Repave / Resurface	Greater New Orleans Hotel & Lodging Association
Dumaine - 500 block	Sidewalk crumbling due to tree roots	M.O.M.

Dumaine - 900 block	Up-river side, broken and buckling sidewalks	M.O.M.
Esplanade - 900 block	Depressed area of the street, holds standing water for days	VCPORA / FQC
Focus on repairing sidewalks along one street		Greater New Orleans Hotel & Lodging Association
Governor Nicholls - 900 block	18" deep pothole and sidewalk issues	VCPORA / FQC; M.O.M.
Governor Nicholls & Chartres	Corner zone is crumbled	VCPORA / FQC
Iberville - 700 & 800 blocks	Repave / Resurface	Greater New Orleans Hotel & Lodging Association; VCPORA / FQC; FQBA
Iberville from Rampart to N. Peters	Repave / Resurface	Greater New Orleans Hotel & Lodging Association
Iberville from Burgundy to Chartres	Street is in extremely poor condition	FQBA
Jackson Square - Across from 535 St. Ann	Repair broken slate	Louisiana State Museum; VCPORA / FQC; FQBA
Jackson Square - On Chartres in front of the Presbytere	Repair broken slate	Louisiana State Museum; VCPORA / FQC; FQBA
Jackson Square - On Chartres in front of Cabildo	Plywood covers a missing slate	Louisiana State Museum; VCPORA / FQC; FQBA
Jackson Square - Steps to the right in front of Cathedral	Repair broken steps	Louisiana State Museum; VCPORA / FQC; FQBA
Royal - 100 block	Potholes along the curb collect water and debris, flagstones are broken and missing along both sides of the sidewalks	VCPORA / FQC
Royal - 300 block	pavers breaking due to parking on sidewalk	FQBA
St. Ann & Chartres by the stop sign	large piece of slate missing	Louisiana State Museum
St. Ann from N. Rampart to Chartres		Patio Planters
St. Peter - 600 block		Patio Planters
St. Peter & Bourbon - Corner	Entire sidewalk is busted, holes in the brick sidewalk which trap liquids and cause offensive odors	FQBA
St. Philip - 700 Block	Crater in the sidewalk, daily tripping location. Sidewalk just outside McDonough 15	VCPORA / FQC; M.O.M.; Patio Planters

St. Philip & Royal	Up-river corner along CC's, the old flagstones are uneven, tripping hazard	M.O.M.
Ursulines - 500 block	Up-river side @ Chartres (30-40 foot length of sidewalk is broken and ramps sharply towards the street, the curb is missing)	M.O.M.
Ursulines - 900 block	Tripping hazard on the sidewalk caused by tree	VCPORA / FQC
Ursulines @ Burgundy	Clumps of broken concrete at corner and pole sticking 12 inches out of the ground	VCPORA / FQC