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Dear Inglewood Residents,

I want to again apologize for the confusion and stress caused by our actions this spring related to the City-maintained streets in Inglewood. Thank you for your patience these past several weeks as we conducted additional research on the streets in Inglewood historically served by the City. At the community meeting held in June, we committed to return with options for moving forward before taking any further action. In response to community concerns, the City hired outside legal counsel to review the ownership status of streets in the Inglewood plat.

**The City will host a community meeting for the Inglewood neighborhood on Thursday, Sept. 11, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.** The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the information below and hear from the Inglewood community on its preferences for next steps. We will also continue to update the Inglewood webpage at [Sammamish.us/Inglewood](http://Sammamish.us/Inglewood) as new information is identified.

### **Most City Maintained Inglewood Streets are Publicly Owned**

Further review revealed that **most of the streets in Inglewood historically served by the City are clearly public streets**, not private, and therefore there is no reason for the City to stop maintaining the streets.

Most of the streets in Inglewood historically served by the City were constructed, deeded and dedicated by private property owners, and formally accepted into the King County road system by resolution, in 1965. Additional research showed that other segments of these historically served streets were deeded to the County later by other property owners. The City received ownership of all these County streets upon incorporation in 1999. The results of our additional review clearly indicate that we failed to do enough due diligence to locate the resolutions sooner, which contributed to the incorrect conclusion that Inglewood streets were not public.

### **The City Will Continue to Maintain Historically Served Streets**

The City will continue serving the historically maintained Inglewood streets, including clearing snow and ice from the right of way, vegetation and debris management, ditch maintenance, pothole repair, parking enforcement, etc. These City services will continue, and there will be no change from what the neighborhood has seen since incorporation. There will also be no change to non-City services such as mail and package delivery, solid waste pickup and more.

## **Next Steps**

Please see the attached map. All streets in green are ones that the City has historically served and public ownership has been verified. The few streets marked in yellow are still being evaluated on an adjacent property-by-property level and we may find deeds or other dedication documents associated with these short segments. If no additional public information is found on the segments in yellow, the City will work with each property owner individually. Our goal is to work collaboratively with property owners to identify a permanent solution that allows the City to continue to maintain the streets and is acceptable to affected property owners. Property owners on streets currently marked yellow will receive a separate letter to their residence with additional information. (The streets shown in red have historically been considered private and therefore have not been maintained by the City.)

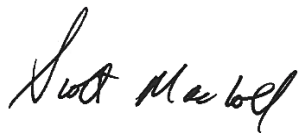
We heard from many Inglewood residents about the need for certainty regarding City service and maintenance of historically served roads. Because of this, one option is for the City to pass a resolution affirming that all of the green and yellow streets shown on the map are public. The resolution would be entered into the City record so that there is a public record easily available to future property owners and City staff.

## **We Are Sorry**

On behalf of the City, I am deeply sorry for the confusion and stress our earlier communication may have caused. We are dedicated to serving the Sammamish community and we strive every day to do so with care, thoughtfulness, and exemplary work. However, in this situation, we jumped too quickly to an incorrect conclusion. Our actions fell short of your expectations and ours. Going forward, we have put procedures in place so this does not happen again.

Thank you to everyone who reached out to share concerns and suggestions, and your commitment to your neighborhood. We are committed to working with you to ensure that public ownership of historically-maintained Inglewood streets is not open to question, and we will do everything we can to regain your trust.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott MacColl". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Scott" and last name "MacColl" clearly distinguishable.

Scott MacColl  
City Manager

