

# NORTH RAVINE FIX: PICK ONE



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**IF YOU PREFER THE SECOND OPTION, WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE IT HAPPEN!**

August 5, 2024

Dear North Pointe Neighbors,

To fix our ravine problem, we have gone before the Mayor and City Council and asked them to please help us. The Council members are sympathetic and want to help. Still, they are not going to be willing to provide the financial assistance we need without seeing a considerable showing of concern and investment from our residents as to the welfare of the community. On July 23, 2024, when the North Pointe ravine was on the City Council agenda, it was embarrassing that only two residents (HOA President Robbie Sell and one homeowner) bothered to show up and voice their concerns. The Council members were frankly unimpressed with our lack of interest in our own problem. So to be clear: **The City is not going to help us if we can't be bothered to pretend like we care about the issue**, and they said words to that effect at that meeting. This is an incredible opportunity, but it is slipping away from us due to apathy.

Every City Council meeting provides a time of Neighbor Comments where an Anna resident can fill out a short form allowing a person to freely speak or read a statement at the podium for up to 3 minutes directly to the Mayor and Council Members. We need to have more North Pointe residents speak up for our community during the Neighbor Comments time, or nothing is going to happen.

As far as we know, our ravine is **not** listed on the city's next agenda. But that could change very quickly. The meeting agenda is released 72 hours prior to every city Council meeting. The HOA Board of Directors humbly ask that residents of our community come to City Hall the next time our ravine is listed as an agenda item and make your voices heard. Once we know when it is set to come before the Council again, we will let you know. Listed below are a few talking points. You are not limited to these.

## EXAMPLE TALKING POINTS:

- We thank the Anna City Council for hearing us and humbly ask for financial aid and a safe and lasting solution to our ravine problem.
- The ravine problem is too big and costly for the residents to handle alone. We need help and are willing to do our share.
- We need trees. Sadly, the original builder removed the natural trees from the ravine, and as a result, there is no longer anything holding the soil in place.
- The city signed off to pull the trees on the ravine in 2004 and later it was given over to the HOA to manage as a common area.
- The residents of North Pointe have gone without our pool amenity in 2024 in order to save money.
- Water runoff flows from underneath Van Alstyne County Road 1106 and enters our neighborhood at McKinney Street.

Please set aside Tuesday evenings at 6:00 (the appointed timeframe for City Council meetings) in case we are called upon to meet/act/speak. We will inform you when it is set to come before Council again.

Thank you,

North Pointe HOA