



# Highlands Creek Drainage Improvements

# Update

January 2001

## Final Public Meeting held for Highlands Creek Residents

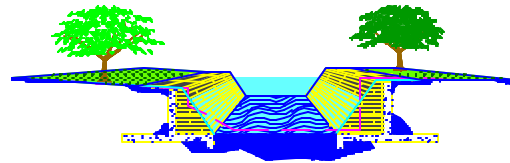
**F**orty-one homeowners were present for the final public meeting held for the Highlands Creek Drainage Improvement project. The purpose of the meeting was to present each homeowner with two preliminary design options for the individual properties, and to gain approval for the option desired. Thirty-two homeowners approved and selected one of the two design options, and four homeowners were opposed to either option.

**F**reese and Nichols held two separate meetings - the first at the City Council chambers on December 11th, and a second meeting at a local homeowner's house on December 16th to accommodate as many homeowners as possible. Freese and Nichols representative, Alan Greer delivered a 30-minute presentation walking residents through the process used to determine the two alternatives. The presentation outlined the two design alternatives showing the proposed creek improvements, the required temporary and permanent drainage easements, limits of disturbance for each homeowner's yard, and trees for each homeowner that would need to be removed, saved or determined in the field.

**A**fter reviewing the project to date, homeowners broke into four groups based on their property locations, and were asked to view each of the options as it pertained to their property, and to choose their preferred option.

**O**n the back is a copy of the option form. If you have not had an opportunity to comment on the proposed options, please feel free to comment and return the form on the back by January 8th. Additionally, individual properties with the two options can be viewed at the project website at [www.clients.freese.com/carrollton](http://www.clients.freese.com/carrollton).

### *Option A - STRUCTURAL OPTION*



**Advantages:** Disturbs less area and trees  
Contains larger storm volume in channel  
Provides a more level backyard

**Disadvantages:** Requires larger channel bottom widths  
Requires a larger easement

### *Option B - NATURAL OPTION*



**Advantages:** Requires smaller channel bottom widths  
Provides limited visibility of smaller wall  
Displays a greener, more natural landscape

