

From: [Vidaver, Regina](#)
To: [Transportation Commission](#)
Subject: FW: RNAListserv Bus stop closure for Route E starts Aug. 17; University and Babcock pedestrian crossing at Transportation Commission tonight; Stay cool!
Date: Wednesday, July 23, 2025 4:59:30 PM

Forwarding this email from a constituent.

Best wishes,
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I find that intersection (or series) to be VERY treacherous when riding a bicycle East from Old U. I don't totally understand how you're supposed to cross over. It's super unclear and I do rely on the existing pedestrian island to pick up the bike lane after the Campus Drive/Old U split. If they put up a fence and planting as indicated in the map, it might be even worse. But maybe I'm missing something?

On Wed, Jul 23, 2025 at 12:28 PM 'Vidaver, Regina' via regentneighborhoodassn <regentneighborhoodassn@googlegroups.com> wrote:

Hello neighbors,

It has come to my attention that the bus stop at Kendall and Highland for the E bus will be removed starting August 17. I want to be transparent with you all: I was not

informed of the proposal to eliminate this stop in advance. If I had been, I would have communicated with you and asked for your feedback in regards to the proposal. As a result, the decision to close this stop has been made. If there is interest in re-opening this stop, it will require re-assessment by the Transportation Commission. I have heard from one local user who relies on the bus to get around town, and for whom the removal of this stop will be a hardship, as he has mobility issues. If there are others who will be negatively affected by this closure, please [send an email to me](#), cc'ing [Transportation Commission](#), and [Metro](#).

Unfortunately, this was not the only oversight in communicating with me by city staff. I was also unaware of the proposal to [update the pedestrian crossing at University Avenue and Babcock Drive](#) until yesterday – it is going before the Transportation Commission [tonight](#). I'm not sharing this information with you to criticize the work of our city staff, but to make you aware that, had I been given the information, I would have shared it broadly. I have communicated directly with the staff involved and indicated this is an opportunity for process improvement, and that I expect to be engaged in future decisions impacting our district.

And, in case you hadn't noticed, it's hot out there! Please be aware [of options for staying cool](#) if you don't have air conditioning or other mechanisms to be comfortable in your home.

Be well,
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