

From: Tonya Nye
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#); [Hall, Amanda](#); bmunson@vandewalle.com
Subject: Grandview Commons
Date: Saturday, February 03, 2018 8:41:12 AM

Thank you again for the meeting this week regarding the Grandview Commons proposals. It was mentioned at the meeting that we could email our concerns and they would get passed on in time for the approval meetings next week. I'm hoping this is the appropriate channel for that.

My concern is that the biggest take away from the meeting was that North Star Drive needs to go through to Milwaukee Street first and that will cure everything. Having North Star Drive go through to Milwaukee Street as soon as possible will certainly help some of the other traffic problems in the neighborhood, but it still doesn't make Galileo Drive going all the way through to Milwaukee Street a good idea.

I live on the corner of Dominion Drive and Galileo Drive. Galileo Drive is the closest north/south running street that takes you to the Metro Market and if that road goes all the way through from Milwaukee Street it will certainly become an even busier street than it's already become. This route to the grocery store also takes you right past a park where the streets are narrow surrounding it.

Galileo Drive was not originally designed to be a main thoroughfare so it's not as wide as the other streets and has no roundabouts/traffic calming measures planned like Milky Way and North Star Drive. Speed bumps are not a good option because it takes away any parking in front of the residents homes along those bumps. Many residents also have to back out of their driveways onto Galileo, which doesn't happen on North Star Drive because those homes all have the garage in the back of the home on an alley/carriage lane access.

There are 3 other roads currently planned that will go through the neighborhood from Milwaukee Street in a span of less than 1/2 mile. Adding a 4th option will do more harm than good. There's only 3 roads coming into the neighborhood along the 1 mile long stretch of Sprecher Road that is the east border of this neighborhood. There's also 4 roads coming through the neighborhood off of Cottage Grove Road (the south border of the neighborhood) but those streets are only a couple of blocks long, except for North Star Drive, and were planned well to prevent traffic from speeding all the way through the neighborhood. Galileo would be a street closer to 1 mile long so giving access directly off Milwaukee Street will provide much more of an opportunity for drivers to increase their speed as they travel along.

There seems to be no benefit to having Galileo Drive go all the way through to Milwaukee Street and there would certainly be many potential negative outcomes. I hope you'll reconsider and choose to keep plan A as presented by Veridian with Galileo Drive not extending all the way out to Milwaukee Street.

Thank you.

-Tonya Nye
Grandview Commons resident of 14 years

From: Jill Schaefer
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#); [Hall, Amanda](#)
Subject: Against extending Galileo Drive to Milwaukee Street
Date: Sunday, February 04, 2018 1:13:08 PM

Dear Representatives and City Officials:

I'd like to register my strong opposition to extending Galileo Drive to Milwaukee Street.

I live on Dominion Drive, two houses from the intersection of Dominion and Galileo, where I've seen a number of drivers coast through the stop signs in place on Dominion. There is a slight hill on Galileo, coming from the north toward the Dominion intersection, and cars get going at well-above legal speeds on this decline. In addition, the houses are positioned so close to the intersection, that this is really a blind intersection, meaning that cars that miss or ignore stop signs on Dominion may not have time to react to cars speeding along Galileo Drive.

In addition, as the parent of an elementary and middle school student, I can tell you that there are public school bus stops along Galileo and Dominion, as well as a number of children who cross at Dominion and Galileo from other stops. Adding cars that are speeding to cut through the neighborhood to the mix could have very tragic consequences, not only for children, but for all cyclists and pedestrians.

Finally, when we purchased our home in this location, we had expectations about where roads would be positioned around us, based on maps shared with us by Veridian. There was a plan in place and we expected and counted on that plan being realized. Changing this up after so many of us have purchased homes here with these expectations feels like a bait and switch on behalf of Veridian (and the City of Madison).

This is a bad, dangerous, and unfair proposition, and I hope you'll oppose it on behalf of the residents who live, work, and play here every day.

Sincerely,

Jill C. Schaefer
[REDACTED] Dominion Drive
Madison, WI 53718

From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: [Alder Hall, District 3] Proposed Gemini Drive Connection to Milwaukee Street
Date: Monday, February 05, 2018 1:58:41 PM

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From: Jeff LaSee [REDACTED]@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2018 5:47 AM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: Re: [Alder Hall, District 3] Proposed Gemini Drive Connection to Milwaukee Street

Dear Alder Hall-

My name is Jeff LaSee and I am your constituent. I live in the Grandview Commons neighborhood and support the idea of having Galileo Drive connect all the way to Milwaukee Street.

Additionally, is there a timeline of when traffic lights will be installed at the intersection of Milwaukee Street and Sprecher Road? That intersection becomes a free-for-all at busy times of day and seems very dangerous, especially for vehicles turning left as many people do not have good four-way stop etiquette.

Thanks.

Jeff LaSee
[REDACTED] Saturn Drive

On Sun, Jan 21, 2018 at 7:14 PM, <district3@cityofmadison.com> wrote:



Good evening neighbors, Quick update for our neighbors in the Grandview area regarding a possible change up in plans for roadways there. In the original neighborhood plans for Grandview, North Star Drive was intended to be the main north/south arterial through the neighborhood. In recent ...

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From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: Galileo Connecting to Milwaukee Street
Date: Monday, February 05, 2018 1:57:09 PM

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From: Janet Wells [REDACTED]@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2018 11:03 AM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: Galileo Connecting to Milwaukee Street

General Information

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Work Phone:
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Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Dear Alder Hall,

Thank you for the information. I am OPPOSED to connecting Galileo to Milwaukee Street. It strikes me as completely unnecessary and not in keeping with Veridian's original proposals. Access is available from Grandview to both Milwaukee Street and Cottage Grove Road. There is no reason for a thoroughfare through a neighborhood to accommodate Veridian.

Sincerely, Janet

ps The subject line of email mentions Gemini but i assume that is simply a mix-up of "G" street names.

Recipient:

Amanda Hall

From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: Galileo Dr
Date: Monday, February 05, 2018 1:49:22 PM

Hi Heather and Colin, Im forwarding all emails on the Galileo Drive extension issue on which you were not cc'd. Look for more emails in the coming moments. Please kindly include these emails and the ones on which you were cc'd in the packet of materials for plan commissioners this evening.

with sincere thanks,

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From: Donna Crane [REDACTED]@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2018 10:21 AM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: Galileo Dr

Hi Amanda,

I just want to add my voice to the discussion about making Galileo Dr. a through street to Milwaukee St.

I think it would be an excellent way to keep Northstar and Milky Way from becoming overwhelmed. The more options there are to turn into the neighborhood, the fewer cars each of the streets will have to accommodate.

Thank you.

Donna Crane

Grandview Commons resident

From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
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Subject: Fw: Galileo Drive expansion
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From: Kevin Ziegler [REDACTED]@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 12:24 PM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: Galileo Drive expansion

Good Afternoon Amanda,
My wife and I currently live on Galileo Drive and have some qualms about having it connect to Milwaukee Street. Yes, it would be another corridor into the neighborhood, but we have a small son and are worried about his safety. We live on a corner lot and cars already come speeding down the street. We almost get run over just turning into our driveway as people are constantly driving way too fast. If they're in a hurry, leave earlier! I'm not a fan of the speed bumps at all but I'm hopeful there might be another way to keep us all safe in our own neighborhood. I really like the area but when I see cars drive by at what seems like 35-40 MPH, I wonder why they need to go that fast in a residential area. Galileo Drive is not a very wide street so when there are cars parked on both sides, one must be very careful when navigating the street. Thank you for keeping us posted on what is happening in district 3. My wife and I do appreciate the updates. Have a great afternoon!

Kevin Ziegler

From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: Galileo Drive Extension to Milwaukee Street
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From: Shirley Scriver [REDACTED]@charter.net>
Sent: Saturday, February 3, 2018 5:06 PM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: Galileo Drive Extension to Milwaukee Street

Hello,

I'm unable to attend the meeting on Monday night. Please extend North Star Drive before opening up Galileo Drive or Milky Way streets. The information I received at Wednesday's meeting is that North Star Drive won't be built out for 7 to 10 years. If Milky Way opens up before then, all of the people living in Grandview Commons North & Milwaukee Street will be using Milky Way to get to Metro Market and all of the people south & west of North Star Drive (all of the apartments) will use Milky Way (instead of driving around the North Star Park) to get to Milwaukee Street. Milky Way in Grandview Commons South is not wide enough to handle all of the traffic. As it is, all traffic coming from the west on Milwaukee Street will be turning on Milky Way (at the big entrance signs) to get anywhere in Grandview Commons instead of North Star Drive. There will be also 2 parks abutting up to Milky Way (Camar & North Star Parks where people will be walking, driving or biking to the parks). County or city planning was not forward thinking by not adding 2 extra lanes over the interstate road on Milwaukee Street or extending North Star Drive to Milwaukee Street before all these homes were built. North Star Drive needs to be built out as soon as possible. Please consider the safety of the people living on these streets.

Thank you.

Shirley Scriver

[REDACTED] Milky Way

From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: Galileo Drive extension
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From: Daniel J Haider [REDACTED]@charter.net>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2018 6:43 PM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: RE: Galileo Drive extension

Hello Alder Hall!

I would like to provide some feedback regarding the Galileo Drive extension. First off, I don't see how Galileo is a viable option as a through-street. Though slightly wider than some other roads, it still seems too narrow for the task. Galileo has a high density of houses, with cars interspersed on both sides – especially between Venus Way and Aires Way. All parking could be moved to one side of the road, but that would certainly be unwelcome news for those living on Galileo, and it would create a stream of moving traffic close to the sidewalk – and children – on one side. I personally would not be affected much by changes to Galileo. It simply appears to solve very little, while creating many new problems.

Secondly, would it not make sense to immediately extend North Star to Milwaukee Street as planned? Every time I see a bulldozer at the northern end of the neighborhood, I think to myself "Yes! The promised 'real' route to Milwaukee Street is coming at last!" Is there some super extra cost to completing it now, as opposed to later? Perhaps North Star alone would be enough to meet future traffic needs. And much of the current traffic on Galileo could be because it does technically connect to Milwaukee Street – albeit in a very "turn left, turn right, turn left, turn right, ..." kind of way. I personally am one of those using Galileo to get to Milwaukee Street. But it is for two reasons only: (1) My house is closest to the alley exit onto Galileo; and (2) North Star currently provides no better access to Milwaukee Street than does Galileo. Build the remaining section of North Star, and I will come. I promise my fellow neighbors that I will avoid unnecessary future use of Galileo.

Lastly, there is one potential easy, cost-effective alteration to Galileo that should be performed, regardless of current traffic volume: Reverse the stop-signs (or add another set) at the intersection of Dominion Drive and Galileo. Currently, traffic on Dominion must stop for traffic on Galileo. It seems counter-intuitive/unexpected, possibly because Dominion is more of a main through-street.

I've heard this from others as well. I've witnessed many drivers blindly cruise up/down Galileo, through that intersection, as I am approaching on Dominion. Conversely, I've seen other drivers on Dominion who clearly expected me to stop as I (slowly) passed through on Galileo. Approaching from either direction, I always have one foot hovering over the brake pedal.

My apologies for the lengthy email. But I thank you for your time!

Dan Haider
[REDACTED] McLean Drive
Grandview Commons

From: district3@cityofmadison.com [mailto:district3@cityofmadison.com]

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 9:28 PM

To: djhaider@charter.net

Subject: [Alder Hall, District 3] Galileo Drive Neighborhood Meeting, Kennedy Crossing Guard, Parks, RMN...



Good evening neighbors, It's been another event-filled week for District 3 and with a busy week coming up I wanted to update you on neighborhood happenings. Grandview and Galileo We were able to successfully move the Galileo Drive extension to the next Plan Commission meeting which is

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From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: Galileo Drive
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From: Claude Smith [REDACTED]@onu.edu>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 7:40 PM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: Galileo Drive

General Information

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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Hi, Amanda: Is the Galileo Drive extension to Milwaukee Street being considered IN ADDITION TO the extension of North Star? That would make three streets emptying into Milwaukee Street in a row, with Milkwy Way as the third, possibly creating the need for a traffic light, especially for those exiting Grandview Commons with hopes of a left turn on Milwaukee.

Recipient:
Amanda Hall

From: [Stouder, Heather](#)
To: [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: Galileo extension
Date: Sunday, February 04, 2018 8:26:35 PM

Colin- please include in items for the PC. Thank you!

From: leslie krouk on behalf of leslie krouk [REDACTED]@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 4, 2018 1:23:51 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; Leslie Krouk
Subject: Galileo extension

Hi

We moved here less than a year ago to Pluto St.

Part of our reason for moving to this particular area was the quiet neighborhood as well as it's convenient to downtown.

To put it simply I think the streets are fine as is with plenty of different ways to get in and out.

I am absolutely amazed at how fast people drive even down Pluto and to be honest it scares me. We walk our dogs all around the neighborhood and there is a wide variety of age diversity Etc in the area.

In the interest of safety for our children, our animals, our differently abled citizens and our retired people, it is imperative to avoid extending Galileo (or Pluto).

Crime related issues, traffic, and speeding issues will increase.

Regards, Leslie Krouk

From: [Stouder, Heather](#)
To: [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: FW: Galileo street
Date: Monday, February 05, 2018 8:11:11 AM

Colin-
Please add to the items for PC. Thank you!

Heather

-----Original Message-----

From: Trina Guilette [redacted] [@charter.net](#)
Sent: Saturday, February 03, 2018 4:00 PM
To: Stouder, Heather <hstouder@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Galileo street

I am totally against making Galileo a narrow "raceway" to Milwaukee street. Many cars are parked along the street, along with the fact that this neighborhood has many small children living in it, is a recipe for disaster. Without speed inhibitors, such as the roundabouts, there is nothing to check the momentum of traffic. I have seen many people who use the stop sign on the corner of Dominion and Galileo as a suggestion as it is. I have seen numerous kids riding bikes and scooters as well as skateboards down Dominion on their way to the park. Without a speed check of some sort, how long will it be before someone gets hurt because of taking a faster way.

Trina Guilette

Sent from my iPad

From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: Galileo to Milwaukee st
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From: Sue Dewane [REDACTED]@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2018 11:21 AM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: Galileo to Milwaukee st

My husband and I oppose this extension of Galileo.

Please express our opinion.

Thank you,
Sue and Larry Dewane
[REDACTED] Seven Pines Ave

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: Galileo
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From: Todd Krause [REDACTED]@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2018 7:43 AM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: Galileo

General Information

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Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Alder Hall,

I attended the Galileo Drive meeting on Wednesday January 31, but did not speak. I like the idea of connecting Galileo Dr. to Milwaukee street. I think that having many street connections is good because it adds flexibility to the traffic system.

Todd Krause

Recipient:
Amanda Hall

From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: Grandview Commons - Galileo Dr To Milwaukee St
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From: Brenda Stephens <brenstephensmail@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2018 10:25 AM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: Grandview Commons - Galileo Dr To Milwaukee St

General Information

Name: Brenda Stephens
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State: WI
ZIP: 53718
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Work Phone:
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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

When we were buying a new home a lot of consideration went into what neighborhood we wanted to call home. Once that decision was made we looked at what street we wanted to buy our brand new home on. We made our decision based on safety and traffic flow of the street we were to live on. We ultimately decided to buy in The Grandview Commons neighborhood and on Galileo Dr. I am JUST reading about plans/ proposals to make Galileo Dr a through street and connect to Milwaukee St. First, I am upset about the lack of information to the residence about this consideration. Being a homeowner in the Grandview Commons neighborhood and a homeowner on Galileo Dr this is upsetting to me. A heads up on a meeting with the ones who will have to deal with the final decisions and outcome would be nice and more importantly should happen. I would hope this would be something you could have a discussion about at a later date, once more information is available to the ones who

own and live in the affected areas.

I strongly disagree with this change. Some of our concerns are as follows:

1. The excess traffic this would bring to our street.
2. The street is not wide enough to handle this kind of traffic. There is already a problem with the road being too narrow, specifically in the 400 block, with all of the cars being parked on the street because the rear facing garage homeowners are using the street to park their cars instead of their garage.
3. The increased traffic and too narrow street would make for safety concerns for the children, adults, and pets on our street.
4. Concerns about the value of our home on a less trafficked side street, like Galileo currently is and was proposed to us homeowners, vs. the value of our home on a main through road, which is being proposed? Our value will most likely decrease and the desire to live in our home and the ease of sale of our home will decrease.
5. Milky Way is going to be a road that, once complete, will take you out to Milwaukee street as well as North Star.....Why not finish what they have planned and see if that helps the problems and concerns? Finishing what is proposed is what should happen first. Not to mention Venus Way, which runs parallel to Galileo, will give another option for "outs" in the neighborhood. Saturn Dr will too be an "out". Both Saturn and Venus Way, once complete, will come out on Rustic Rd which is a through street to Milwaukee St.

I am hoping you can pass my voice and opinion on to the committee at tonight's meeting.

Please let me know what happens to my concerns and if another meeting will be in the future regarding this proposed change.

Thanks,

Brenda Stephens

Grandview Commons Homeowner

Recipient:

Amanda Hall

From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: No through street via Galileo
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From: Katy Finkelmeyer [REDACTED]@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2018 7:30 AM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: No through street via Galileo

Dear Amanda,
I have been informed from our MPNA group of the proposed change to make Galileo a through street. We do indeed have a lot of problems with speeding on this street and it borders a playground with children riding bikes as well. I am really concerned about what this could look like down the road too, if the conversations about interstate access continue.

With less than 12 hours to get neighbors apprised of this proposal and mobilized to attend a meeting, can you please make a motion to refer this to a future meeting in two weeks? We were not notified of this decision and it has a potentially huge impact on residents from one side of the community to the other.

I will be writing the other alders but would appreciate if you could please talk to them and ask them to support a referral on this issue to the next meeting?

Please confirm receipt of the this message.

Thank you,
Kathryn Finkelmeyer
Grandview Commons Resident

From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: North Star Dr traffic concerns
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From: Tony Peterangelo [REDACTED]@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2018 8:53 PM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: North Star Dr traffic concerns

Thank you for hosting tonight's meeting regarding Grandview traffic.

I arrived late due to my work schedule and was unable to make a comment but wanted to pass along my thoughts directly to you.

I live on the corner of North Star and Milky Way and I am very concerned about the amount and speed of traffic on North Star Dr. Cars frequently appear to be driving significantly above the speed limit when they pass my house, and I would like to request that some consideration be given to adding a traffic circle or speed bump at North Star and Orion or North Star and Milky Way.

I also feel like the Galileo Drive expansion could be a good way to split some of the traffic off of North Star to more evenly spread the traffic out so that no single street is overwhelmed by the number of vehicles that utilize it.

Again, I really appreciate your efforts and look forward to being involved with trying to improve our neighborhood,

Tony Peterangelo

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Tony

From: [Hall, Amanda](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Fw: Traffic concerns in Grandview Commons
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From: Julie Lehr [REDACTED]@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 2, 2018 12:00 PM
To: Hall, Amanda
Subject: Fwd: Traffic concerns in Grandview Commons

Dear Alderperson Hall,

First, thank you for arranging the meeting Jan. 31 to discuss the extension of Galileo Drive to the north of the existing roadway, with possible connection directly to Milwaukee Street.

We attended the meeting and, after hearing the presentations and audience comments, **wish to convey our support for the eventual connection to Milwaukee Street.** Please forward our position to the Plan Commission.

Our reasons include:

- Additional access to the Grandview Commons and Grandview North neighborhoods, providing more travel options for residents
- Possibly reducing the traffic burden borne by North Star (which will still be the main north-south route) by spreading it out somewhat to other streets in the development
- Added access points for public safety services, including police, fire and ambulance

We understand and are sympathetic to residents on Galileo who currently reside on a dead-end street and do not wish to have more traffic coming past their homes. However, the development of this new plat, with approximately 180 new homes, and the extension of Galileo to the north will necessarily add traffic - regardless of whether the street connects to Milwaukee. Not making the connection to Milwaukee will NOT prevent the new residents

from traveling down Galileo to the grocery store.

As you observed by the end of the meeting, there are several transportation and traffic concerns in the neighborhood. A few points:

- We agree with the gentleman who characterized the intersection of Dominion Drive with Galileo as "an accident waiting to happen." We live on Dominion and have seen cars, construction trucks, and other vehicles blow through that intersection without stopping. Dominion feels like the proper through street; many drivers are not expecting a stop sign there. One of us came close to being hit by a car while walking the dog across that intersection.
- Yield signs are needed on Pluto at the intersection with Dominion Drive. Common sense would indicate that drivers on Pluto would yield before turning onto Dominion, but we have observed otherwise.
- Some cars come through the round-about from North Star onto Dominion at very high speeds. It is bad enough that we advise visitors to our home (the first one past North Star on the south side of Dominion) never to park on Dominion, but rather around the corner on Pluto.
- Traffic calming techniques are needed on various streets, including Milky Way, throughout the Grandview development to slow traffic. There are many children in the neighborhood. We are aware that residents on North Star have many concerns about speeds of traffic on that roadway as well.

We conclude by thanking you once again for holding the meeting. We do believe that the city and Veridian are both working hard to ensure good development and traffic patterns for those of us who live here. If you have questions about any of the items expressed here, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Julie and Ed Lehr

████████ Dominion Drive

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From: [Stouder, Heather](#)
To: [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: FW: Veridian Plot
Date: Monday, February 05, 2018 8:11:39 AM

Colin-
Please include in the items for PC. Thank you!

Heather

-----Original Message-----

From: David Michaelis [redacted]@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 03, 2018 2:35 PM
To: Stouder, Heather <hstouder@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Veridian Plot

Many of my friends in the Veridian "McClellan Neighborhood " agree that North Star Drive must be completed BEFORE connecting Galileo Drive to Milwaukee Street or completing Milky Way!!!! We do not object to connecting Galileo to Milwaukee Street nor Milky Way.
Once you have people used to using North Star Drive, opening Galileo or Milky Way shouldn't be a problem!

Dave Michaelis
McClellan resident

Sent from my iPad

From: Travis Inda
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#); [Hall, Amanda](#)
Subject: Galileo Dr. Extension
Date: Monday, February 05, 2018 8:13:50 AM

To whom this may concern,

I am a resident who lives on [REDACTED] Galileo Dr. in Madison and have resided here almost 3 years. In that time, traffic has increased substantially and I regularly see cars speed past my house. As a resident with a dog and small child I am deeply opposed to the extension of Galileo Dr. becoming a through street to Milwaukee Street.

If this plan was originally disclosed, I would not have purchased my home on this street. Without traffic circles or the measures taken on other streets to slow down traffic, I would be afraid of the speeding increase we would see.

Again, I am AGAINST the extension of Galileo Dr. and hope that you allow the safety of our residents to be the top concern in the neighborhood.

Thank you,
Travis Inda

From: Gail Schneider
To: hstouder@cityofmadison.com; [Punt, Colin](#); [Hall, Amanda](#)
Subject: Galileo Dr.connection to Milwaukee St.
Date: Monday, February 05, 2018 10:01:32 AM

I am writing because of my concern regarding the extension of Galileo Dr. to Milwaukee St. From my understanding, it was never intended that Galileo Dr. would be a through street to Milwaukee St. As others have expressed, it is not as wide as most through streets. I am a recent resident on Dominion Dr. My house is three houses from the intersection of Galileo and Dominion. I understand that there are already many near crashes there, in spite of the stop signs. I am concerned that this extension would only make that problem worse. Since there are three other current/planned connections to Milwaukee St., I don't see the need to extend Galileo and respectfully ask that you do not approve this. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Gail Murphy Schneider
[REDACTED] Dominion Dr.

Sent from [Outlook](#)

From: Kathleen Riley
To: [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Galileo Drive
Date: Sunday, February 04, 2018 2:30:27 PM

Hello-

I write to let you know of my opposition to changing the development/zoning plans to make Galileo Drive a through street.

As you know, Galileo Drive was not originally designed to be a main thoroughfare so it's not as wide as the other streets and has no roundabouts/traffic calming measures planned like Milky Way and North Star Drive. Speed bumps are not a good option because it takes away any parking in front of the residents' homes along those bumps. Many residents also have to back out of their driveways onto Galileo, which doesn't happen on North Star Drive because those homes all have the garage in the back of the home on an alley/carriage lane access.

There are 3 other roads currently planned that will go through the neighborhood from Milwaukee Street in a span of less than 1/2 mile. There's only 3 roads coming into the neighborhood along the 1 mile long stretch of Sprecher Road that is the east border of this neighborhood. There's also 4 roads coming through the neighborhood off of Cottage Grove Road (the south border of the neighborhood) but those streets are only a couple of blocks long, except for North Star Drive, and were planned to prevent traffic from speeding all the way through the neighborhood. Galileo would be a street closer to 1 mile long so giving access directly off Milwaukee Street will provide much more of an opportunity for drivers to increase their speed as they travel along - again on a much narrower street. There seems to be no benefit to having Galileo Drive go all the way through to Milwaukee Street and there would certainly be many potential negative outcomes.

For all of the above reasons, please do not change the zoning and allow Galileo to become a through street.

Respectfully,
Kathleen Riley

From: Molly Bucy
To: [Hall, Amanda](#); [Punt, Colin](#); [Stouder, Heather](#)
Subject: Galileo expansion
Date: Saturday, February 03, 2018 2:05:49 PM

Good afternoon. As a resident of Grandview commons living on Apollo Way near Galileo I'm writing to express my concern about connecting Galileo to Milwaukee street. Galileo already has a number of problems with speed. Connecting to Milwaukee street will increase the use of Galileo once people learn that you can cut through the neighborhood while avoiding roundabouts, undoubtedly people will chose Galileo so they can cut through faster. Galileo also lacks marked crosswalks to the pocket park. This along with the increased speed is danger to the community. It makes no sense to change the plans when there are multiple other roads that will connect to Milwaukee in a relatively short distance. Please consider the safety of the neighborhood residents and leave the plans as they were originally made.

From: John Otterson
To: [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Galileo expansion
Date: Monday, February 05, 2018 6:45:09 AM

Good morning,

I respectfully ask you vote no for the proposal to extend Galileo to Milwaukee St. There are numerous safety concerns already with speed and near collisions at the corner of Galileo and Dominion.

Thank you for your consideration.

John Otterson
[REDACTED] Seven Pines Ave

Sent from my iPad

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From: Mark Zehner
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#); [Hall, Amanda](#)
Subject: Galileo thruway to Milwaukee
Date: Sunday, February 04, 2018 4:04:27 PM

Hello All,

I submit the following, in short, after having heard the city and developer presentations to the neighborhood on Wednesday (1/31/18.) I'm in favor of the city recommendation to extend Galileo through to Milwaukee St. Although the traffic increase expected or hoped for on that road is to be relatively minimal, my opinion is that the option to relieve some volume from North Star is welcome. It's understood the intention is for North Star to be the local arterial, yet it will also remain side by side with a neighborhood park. Children especially but anyone headed to the park could use to deal with any fewer cars as could be engineered.

Respectfully,
Mark

Mark Zehner
[REDACTED] North Star Dr
Madison WI 53718
608-[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

From: Christine Bergan
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#); [Hall, Amanda](#)
Subject: Grand View Commons: Galileo Drive
Date: Saturday, February 03, 2018 1:44:35 PM

Good Afternoon,

I am a resident of Grand View Commons since March of 2006 and built my home here. I have great concern for the possible plan to make Galileo go through to Milwaukee Street.

My concern is from a traffic safety perspective and I am in the field of traffic safety education with state and national organization awards for recognition directly related to my efforts and commitment to the field of making drivers and communities safer on the roads.

If the plan were to go through, the homes on Galileo have street facing driveways in which homeowners would have to back onto the major through street or back into their driveways/garages. Both of these are dangerous especially with the concern with speeding.

I live on Apollo Way which has become a frequent speeding street with residents from the apartments, which are at the East end of Apollo Way. One vehicle actually lost control a few years ago and ended up in my front yard after he/she knocked out my street side mailbox, it was a hit and run. There have been near collisions which I have witnessed on Apollo Way on the north side of the street which has street side driveways because drivers are speeding on Apollo Way. My concern is the same kind of risky driving behavior will occur on Galileo.

I support this plan: https://www.cityofmadison.com/dpced/planning/documents/6202dd_site.pdf which seems to have North Star being the through street in the north side of GVC. That end of North Star, the street is wider and most of the homes' driveways/garages are not street side. Along with this plan, I am in support of adding speed bumps to the same level of frequency that is on Merryturn Road between Milwaukee Street and Meadowlark on the east side, there are eight in that stretch. I have witnessed the speed reduction and related crash reduction in that area as a result of adding the frequent speed bumps.

I hope you take my perspective into consideration as we need to work toward safer communities as a whole and traffic safety is part of that goal.

Please feel free to contact me.


Thank you for your consideration and time.
Christine Bergan

From: Michael Kindschi
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#); [Hall, Amanda](#)
Subject: Grandview Commons Plat Addition
Date: Saturday, February 03, 2018 3:28:14 PM

After living in the area for over 4 years and driving on the area streets daily, it's my opinion the North Star must be the first street addition going to Milwaukee Street.

North Star is the only area street that was designed to handle the traffic load and it should have been put through to Milwaukee Street years ago.

For thru-traffic between Cottage Grove Road and Milwaukee Street east of I-90 Sprecher Road and North Star should be the only preferred routes. The other neighborhood streets should create an environment where drivers want to use Sprecher Road or North Star for thru-traffic.

Mike Kindschi
 Vicksburg Rd

From: David Michaelis
To: [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: McClellan Neighborhood
Date: Saturday, February 03, 2018 2:43:17 PM

Many of us in McClellan Neighborhood don't mind having Galileo Drive or Milky Way connected to Milwaukee Street as long as North Star Drive is connected "first"!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Once people start using North Star off Milwaukee Street they are less likely to use Galileo or Milky Way

Dave Michaelis
McClellan resident

Sent from my iPad

From: Deborah Thies
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Punt, Colin](#); [Hall, Amanda](#)
Subject: No to Galileo Dr as a through street to Milwaukee Street
Date: Saturday, February 03, 2018 5:49:28 PM

Galileo Dr is a narrow residential street that serves the neighbors who walk, drive and bike in the neighborhood. The neighbors include younger children who use it to access Pocket Park and its playground. I easily observe this activity - and am part of it! - because I live on Sharpsburg Dr which is the second street border on Pocket Park. There are children and teens who use the bus stop on Sharpsburg Dr near Galileo Drive. Galileo Drive's intersection with Sharpsburg Drive is a stop sign. I'm concerned about the increased traffic and speed a narrow through street will bring, and the possibly increased risk to the current users.

North Star Drive is already a wide, accessible street. The outlet of North Star Dr onto Cottage Grove Rd is a stoplight, allowing access to the west or east as well to Metro Market if is a presumed destination.

Please use plan B that doesn't add Galileo Drive as a through street.

Deborah Thies
[REDACTED] Sharpsburg Dr
Madison 53718

From: brenda stephens
To: [Punt, Colin](#)
Subject: Not in favor of Galileo Dr being a through St
Date: Monday, February 05, 2018 9:21:40 AM

I am a homeowner on Galileo and would like to have an input on your upcoming meeting to approve Veridian's replat of the Homburg property they bought in the northeast corner of Grandview Commons. In this paln Galileo Dr is becoming a through street to Milwaukee St. I do not like this idea and prefer that the city decides to go with the plan to NOT have Galileo go out to Milwaukee St but have it stop when it meets Driscoll St. which was the original plan.

Galileo Drive was not originally designed to be the main thoroughfare so it's not as wide as the other streets and has no roundabouts/traffic calming measures planned like Milky Way and North Star Drive. Speed bumps are not a good option because it takes away any parking in front of the residents homes along those bumps. Many residents also have to back out of their driveways onto Galileo, which doesn't happen on North Star Drive because those homes all have the garage in the back of the home on an alley/carriage lane access. There are 3 other roads currently planned that will go through the neighborhood from Milwaukee Street in a span of less than 1/2 mile. There's only 3 roads coming into the neighborhood along the 1 mile long stretch of Sprecher Road that is the east border of this neighborhood. There's also 4 roads coming through the neighborhood off of Cottage Grove Road (the south border of the neighborhood) but those streets are only a couple of blocks long, except for North Star Drive, and were planned to prevent traffic from speeding all the way through the neighborhood. Galileo would be a street closer to 1 mile long so giving access directly off Milwaukee Street will provide much more of an opportunity for drivers to increase their speed as they travel along - again on a much narrower street.

Thanks,

Brenda Stephens
[REDACTED] Galileo Dr
Madison, WI 53718