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Greetings. I am a member of the Truman Olson steering committee and have been engaged with this project for several years, before, during, and after my service as District 13 alder. I support, and ask that you approve, the current proposed design of Cedar street as it crosses and adjoins the Truman Olson parcel, which provides for a separated bike path and 16 on street parking places adjoining the new grocery store and apartments.

Based upon statements made in steering committee and neighborhood meetings, and neighborhood listserv and email communications, I understand that some people object to the the bicycle path and the lack of additional on street parking. While I understand these concerns, I believe that city staff has worked hard to address them, and that the current proposal, which allows for 16 on street parking spaces, fairly balances competing demands on the street right of way.

Making Madison's streets accessible for all modes of transportation, by all people, is an important goal that should be implemented as new streets are constructed. Interested parties will often argue for more on street parking. But this street will be here for many years, and should support the city's goal of making it easier to walk and bike throughout the city. The current design fairly balances the competing uses of the street right of way, and supports the current Truman Olson proposal, including a 24,000 square foot grocery store.

While it is unfortunate that Cedar street is placed entirely on the Truman Olson site, which limits the developable footprint, I understand why this is necessary to avoid the need to purchase or condemn private property for the street. Nonetheless when the owner of the Pick N Save property north of Cedar street seeks city approval for redevelopment of that site, the city can revisit the issue of what amenities should be included on the north side of Cedar street.

Thank you for considering this submittal, and I look forward to your approval of the street as presently designed, as set forth in Item 13, Resolution 60869.

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