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I oppose the placing of sidewalks on both sides of Harvey St from Hill street to N. Blackhawk. The vast majority of streets in the neighborhood have no sidewalks or sidewalks on just one side of the street. I do not believe there is enough foot traffic on Harvey St. to justify the expense, the loss of mature trees, or the loss of permeable grass and topsoil involved in placing sidewalks on both sides. Every square foot of sidewalk is a square foot of land that will not absorb water during a rain and will add to the drainage problems in this area. Currently, a majority of the foot traffic on Harvey Street is due to Whole Foods, and as they are planning to close before the end of the year, foot traffic on Harvey will be greatly reduced.

Most people want and support a safe, walkable neighborhood, and I think that is what the neighborhood association was voicing when they voted to support this project. I don't think sidewalks on both sides of the street are needed to achieve these goals. A sidewalk on just one side of the street, like most of the other streets in the neighborhood, and as included in other parts of the plan, will be safe and adequately provide for the needs of all the residents, yet keep the feeling of a quiet, tree lined residential neighborhood.

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