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**President Vidaver, Metro Transit, and Members of the Transportation Commission,**

I am very pleased to see that the Enhanced Crossing of University Avenue at Blackhawk is well underway. Limiting turns and adding RRFBs will make crossing the road much safer and more convenient.

I would like to request that, once the intersection improvements are completed, the City consider reopening the local bus stops at University/Blackhawk. When BRT was implemented—one of the best things the City has done—the local stops (Routes 28, 38, and R) were eliminated from University. The rationale at Shorewood and Midvale was to avoid having both side and center stops, but at Blackhawk the reason given was safety, which should now be greatly improved.

Having all stops closed creates a rather large (~1 mile) gap in service. This is especially challenging given that Routes 28 and 38 run through campus, forcing many riders either to transfer to the BRT at Highland or to walk from Ridge into the Sunset Village neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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