

Date: 11-23-10

CITY OF MADISON

Registration Statement – Pedestrian/Bicycle/Motor Vehicle Commission

You must register before the Commission considers your item.

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Agenda No. F.1

Please check the appropriate boxes:

- Support
- Oppose
- Neither Support Nor Oppose

- and  Wish to speak  
 Do not wish to speak  
 Available to answer questions

Speaking Limits: Public Hearing.....5 minutes  
Information Hearing.....3 minutes  
Other Items.....3 minutes

At this meeting are you representing an organization or a person other than yourself:  Yes  No  
(If you answered "no," STOP; you need not complete the rest of this form. If you answered "yes," provide the name of whom you represent below, and go on to the next question.)

COMMENTS RELATED TO THE ITEM ON THE AGENDA (optional):

See attached sheet

Name, address and telephone number of each person or organization you are representing:

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Are you being paid for your representation?  Yes  No

Are you appearing as part of your other paid duties for this person or organization?  Yes  No

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Are you an elected official or employee who is appearing solely on behalf of your office or for your municipality or other governmental body?  Yes  No

*(If you answered "yes" to the question, STOP. You need not complete the rest of this form, except that you must sign this form. If you answered "no" to the question, go on to the next question.)*

If you are being paid for your representation, or if your appearance is part of other paid duties, please be advised that:

1. Before you engage in lobbying as a lobbyist, you or your principal must file an authorization with the City Clerk.
2. Your principal is not permitted to authorize you to lobby unless you are registered with the City Clerk.
3. If your principal spends or will owe more than \$1,000 for lobbying services in any reporting period (half year), the principal must file expense statements with the City Clerk for the remainder of the calendar year?

*(Please go to the City Clerk's website [www.cityofmadison.com/clerk/index.html](http://www.cityofmadison.com/clerk/index.html) or go to the Clerk's Office at Room 103 of the City-County Building, Madison, for more information.)*

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

## **Suggestions to Madison Ped/Bike Committee Concerning the Verona Road Project**

**11-23-10** from Mary Mullen, 4337 Milford Road, Madison, WI 53711, [mmullen@chorus.net](mailto:mmullen@chorus.net) 608-298-0843

### **1. CROSSING VERONA ROAD: Please ask WisDOT to build a ped/bike bridge over Verona Road at the Beltline.**

This crossing is now 13 lanes. Under the improvement it will be 18 lanes. Increasing the size of the islands, which is what WisDOT proposes, does not solve the problem. An 18-lane at-grade crossing is not a safe crossing no matter what the size of the islands.

### **2. LOCATION OF THE BELTLINE FRONTAGE ROAD: Please support Option B and oppose Option A.**

Option B keeps the frontage road next to the Beltline where it should be. Option A would dip the road down toward homes. Saving several business buildings is not a good tradeoff for residents.

### **3. RELOCATION OF THE VERONA FRONTAGE ROAD NEAR WALGREEN'S: The proposed relocation is extremely dangerous and needs to be rethought.**

Encircling Walgreen's, a strip mall, and a cash for titles business means that pedestrians and motorists won't be able to see each other. There will be much more traffic on the street – Atticus Way – than there is now since it is now a deadend. Pedestrians – including many kids – will still cross in the middle of the block. Frontage Road traffic will be brought right up against the City-supported low-income Avalon Village, making it less desirable.

### **4. MANY BIKE/PED/MOTORIST CONFLICTS INTRODUCED BY THE CARLING DRIVE CONNECTION TO ALLIED AND THE FEEPORT ROAD CONNECTION UNDER VERONA ROAD: All conflicts could be avoided by retaining the current configuration of bikeways, sidewalks, and roads, but if either road is put in, great care will have to be exercised in designing and controlling the intersections.**

Currently both routes are bike and pedestrian only. To add roads and intersections adds many chances for serious accidents. This is particularly true because of a big grade change between Carling Drive and Allied Drive.

Signing should note that both the Southwest Commuter Trail and the Military Ridge Trail can be accessed via the new Carling Drive connection.

### **5. BIKEPATH CROSSINGS OF PD: Please join Fitchburg in suggesting grade-separated crossings of PD for the Cannonball and Southwest Commuter/Badger State Trail and Dane Co. in asking for such bridges for the Military Ridge & Cannonball.**

The Cannonball and Badger State Trail both are "mid-block" crossings of a very busy 4-lane PD. They deserve grade-separated crossings both for convenience and safety's sake.

### **6. PED/BIKE CROSSING OF VERONA ROAD AT PD. Please support Fitchburg's request for a grade-separated crossing of Verona Road at PD to allow safe access to the Military Ridge Trail for people living west of Verona Road.**