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Dear Traffic Commission,

My wife and I are writing to provide feedback on the Pontiac, Boston, Nokomis, and Rosewood Reconstruction project. While we support the need to rebuild Pontiac Trail with modern infrastructure, including curbs, gutters, and sidewalks, we oppose the two plan options currently proposed.

We strongly believe that a sidewalk on **one side of Pontiac Trail** would meaningfully improve pedestrian safety and accessibility while maintaining the neighborhood's character. Installing sidewalks on both sides offers minimal additional benefit and would unnecessarily reduce green space, including areas such as **4614 Onaway Pass** and **929 Pontiac Trail**.

During the public meetings on August 14 and October 6, and the Summit Woods Neighborhood Association meeting on October 14, **the majority of residents voiced clear support for a single-sidewalk design**. Unfortunately, this feedback appears to have been discounted in favor of strictly technical considerations.

We encourage the Commission to consider **Option 3**, proposed by our neighbor Layne Larson, **which includes sidewalks on both sides for the southern block and one side elsewhere**. This approach:

- Preserves historic green space and tree canopy
- Allows for wider terraces and enhanced greenery
- Minimizes construction impact and cost
- Supports a balanced, livable streetscape
- Maintains and enhances accessibility

We respectfully urge the Traffic Commission to offer a plan featuring sidewalks on one side of Pontiac Trail.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
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