

**From:** [Toni Brown](#)  
**To:** [Transportation Commission](#)  
**Subject:** Agenda Item 84377 Comments for Transportation Meeting 7.31.2024  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 9:27:18 PM

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Dear Transportation Commissioners,

I am commenting on and would like to register my opposition to the proposed bike path included in the West Area Plan. I am concerned about the loss of trees in the Sauk Creek Woods area as well as the wildlife that will be displaced by a wide, brightly lit bike path. I frequently walk the woods with my dog and I don't like the idea of bicyclists disturbing the peace and ecosystem in this beautiful area. I believe that there are plenty of existing bike paths in Madison and this path, quite frankly, duplicates an already-existing path. Not to mention the cost — not sure of the exact amount at this point — but aren't we facing a deficit of upwards of \$25mm? Just because the funds have been ear-marked doesn't mean they have to spend it. Our taxes are already some of the highest in the country — it seems like a frivolous expenditure at this point — at the taxpayer's expense.

Thank you,  
Toni Brown  
7622 Widgeon Way  
Madison, WI 53717  
917-744-3074

**From:** [EILEEN L HANNEMAN](#)  
**To:** [Transportation Commission](#)  
**Subject:** Agenda Item 84377 Oppose Any Bike Path in the Sauk Creek Greenway  
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Transportation Commission:

I am writing to express my total opposition to the portion of the proposed West Area Plan that includes an east/west bike path through Sauk Creed Greenway. I walk the paths in the Woods frequently, and am very familiar with the path that would be converted into a paved, wide bike path. I cannot believe that the City is actually thinking about making this into a bike path! Not only will this be a huge waste of taxpayer dollars, but it will result in the loss of a large number of healthy trees in a portion of the city that is already far below the City's goal for tree canopy. And there is no need for an off-street bike path in this neighborhood.

Please, please remove this planned bike path from the West Area Plan!

Eileen Hanneman

**From:** [Barbara Hughes](#)  
**To:** [Transportation Commission](#)  
**Cc:** [Barbara Hughes](#)  
**Subject:** Agenda Item 84377 Oppose Any Bike Path in the Sauk Creek Greenway  
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I will not be able to attend the July 31 meeting, and therefore am providing my comments about this agenda item in writing..

I am an 81 year old person who has lived in Tamarack Trails adjacent to Westfield Road for 34 years. I have some physical disabilities (multiple joint replacements and some back challenges) such that my primary exercise is walking in safe paths or trails. I like to walk on the Walnut Grove Park walking path that encircles the park. This is a very safe path for me since it is **not used by bicyclists**. If an east-west path cutting across the Sauk Creek Greenway from Brule were to be built, I will no longer be safe walking on this park path. An east west path would inevitably lead to bicyclists using the walking path—which also abuts a young children's playground, the dog park, the often heavily used soccer fields. This park has many users for different purposes and is no place for the addition of bicycles. In addition, Westfield Road adjacent to this park is heavily used for parking during soccer games, making Westfield less safe for bike traffic. **I'm adamantly opposed to building an east-west path across the Sauk Creek Greenway.** Such a path would have to be maintained, adding to our property taxes that will be rising rather drastically if any of the referenda pass this November. Building a wide enough handicapped accessible east-west path through the relatively steep slopes between the base of the Greenway and the park would also require removal of many trees (we need our green canopy!!!) and be expensive. **We need to cut city expenses, not add to them.**

**High Point Road IS the on-street alternative the Transportation Commission asked for.** Planners have said that “people are uncomfortable biking on High Point Road”. Notice on their map (page 13) that the only stretch of High Point NOT included on the bike route is the section from Sauk Creek Park to Tree Lane. This is a very wide and calm stretch of High Point Road, and I have driven on it the past two days in the time period when school children would be going home. There was very little traffic at all, the driveways are spread out, and there were no parked cars at all between Tree Lane and Old Sauk Road. This is the safe route for bicyclists  
[https://www.cityofmadison.com/transportation/documents/complete-green-streets/Complete%20Green%20Streets%20Guide\\_Final.pdf](https://www.cityofmadison.com/transportation/documents/complete-green-streets/Complete%20Green%20Streets%20Guide_Final.pdf)

**NO Recorded Bike Accidents on High Point Road.** There are rumors that the path through the greenway is needed because of serious bike accidents on the surrounding streets. There have been NO bike accidents on High Point Road and a path through the greenway would not have had any impact on the 2 recorded bike accidents on Westfield Road.

<https://transportal.cee.wisc.edu/partners/community-maps/crash/search/BasicSearch.do?jsessionid=0E109C131FC1197A17BF062>

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Thank you for reading and seriously considering my comments about a matter that is very important to me.

Sincerely,  
Barbara S. Hughes  
25 Sugar Maple Trail  
Madison, WI 53717-1543  
[bhughes86@icloud.com](mailto:bhughes86@icloud.com)



**From:** [Pris Boroniec](#)  
**To:** [Transportation Commission](#)  
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I am writing to oppose the inclusion of a bike path in the Sauk Creek Greenway. First, there are viable and safe bike paths in the area on High Point, Old Sauk and Westfield Roads, as well on Farmington Way. These paths are on routes that surround the Sauk Creek Greenway.

Second, the inclusion of bike paths in the greenway will result in the destruction of a substantial number of trees and natural areas, which are important for the city's and area's efforts to address the impacts of climate change via carbon sequestration. The trees and the accompanying natural areas are also important for protecting wildlife, animals and plants that are native to the area.

Third, there are existing natural paths and walkways that provide public access into the Sauk Creek Greenway. The Greenway is natural treasure for Madison that needs protection and preservation.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis Cornelius  
13 Sauk Creek Circle  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [dpensinger](#)  
**To:** [Transportation Commission](#)  
**Subject:** Support the Sauk Creek Greenway Bike Path!  
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Hello,

The City of Madison should revert to its original West Area Plan including both the North-South and East-West bike paths through the Sauk Creek Greenway.

Study after study has shown safety improvements for pedestrians and bicyclists with dedicated paths. Dedicated bike paths also frequently increase trips by women, children, and the elderly because they correctly perceive the improved safety of being separated from motor traffic (and traffic fumes). There are already enough painted bikes at intersections around Madison. We don't need to lose any more children, spouses, or parents on our streets. For this reason alone, everyone who has opposed the bike path should be ashamed.

With dedicated bike paths, studies have shown large increases in people choosing to walk or bike instead of drive. A quick search on carbon footprints makes clear the environmental benefits of not driving. For a 1 mile out and 1 mile back trip (the approximate length of the North-South path) a car will produce approximately 800g of carbon compared to 68g from a cyclist. The amount of carbon sequestered by a tree depends on multiple factors, but very roughly one tree may sequester 90g of carbon a day. This means if just ONE person per day decides to travel on an errand by bike instead of car because of the availability of the path, they would save at LEAST 8 trees worth of carbon activity. Putting in the bike path is far, far more environmentally friendly than not putting it in!

Finally, there is an element of basic fairness. I do not own a car. My bike is my primary means of transportation, regardless of the season of the year. I see frequent construction on major roads across the city in the summer. The city spends large amounts of money each year on these construction projects and to set aside space for cars with on-street parking. This is infrastructure for motorists, not infrastructure for me. The construction cost per mile of bike path is a fraction of cost per mile of road for automobiles. Yet opponents have labeled the path as expensive and suggested that bicyclists should be charged a fee in the city. In actuality everyone in Madison who primarily bikes or walks are the ones who are subsidizing motorist infrastructure!

Madison doesn't need to continue down a car focused development path. I hope you support the fair, environmentally friendly, and safety focused choice of approving the North-South Sauk Creek Bike Path and seize any other opportunity to create more protected bike lanes and multi-use paths.

Regards,  
Dan Pensinger  
5741 Forsythia Pl.  
Madison, WI 53705



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Printed Name	Signature	Address	City	Date
Jennife Rugewitz	<i>Jennife Rugewitz</i>	3570 Farmington Way 53717	Madison	10-29-23
Susan Bruegman	<i>Susan Bruegman</i>	313 Sauk Creek Dr	Madison	10-27-23
ANDREW POLT	<i>Andrew Polt</i>	2 ST. LAWRENCE CIR	Madison	10-29-23
Ben Brumble	<i>Ben Brumble</i>	365 Sauk Creek Dr	Madison	10-29-23
Ailee <del>Wright</del> Marti	<i>Ailee Marti</i>	7817 W Oakbrook Cir	Madison	11-19-23
Andrea Peterson Strawn	<i>Andrea Strawn</i>	7844 Oakbrook Circle	Madison	11-19-23
WATSON Donna	<i>Donna Watson</i>	213 Tree 7945 Lane	Madison	11-19-23
Louise Koval	<i>Louise Koval</i>	18 Saint Lawrence circle	Madison	12-05-2023
Petition Circulated By: Susan Bruegman	<i>Susan Bruegman</i>	313 Sauk Creek Dr	Madison	12/05/23

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Printed Name	Signature	Address	City	Date
MICHAEL MANTHEY		526 PLAZA DR (#202)	MADISON	11-21-23
Karen Ecklund		1137 ERIN ST #101	MADISON	11/21/23
Jan Manthey		7545 Widgeon Way	Madison	11/22/23
<del>Jan Manthey</del>	<del></del>	7545 Widgeon Way Madison, WI	Madison	11/22/23
Gloria Kelly		14 OAK CREEK TRAIL	MADISON	11/23/23
DEMETRIOS SKIAS		14 OAK CREEK TRAIL	MADISON	11-22-23
Toni Brown		7622 Widgeon Way	Madison	11-22-23
Gregory Grier		7622 Widgeon Way	Madison	11-22-23
Petition Circulated By: Toni Brown.		<del>7622</del> 7622 Widgeon Way	Madison	11/22/23

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Byron Knight	<i>Byron Knight</i>	501 N. High Point Rd	Madison	12/4/2023
Petition Circulated By: <i>Susan Bugman</i>	<i>Susan Bugman</i>	313 Sauk Creek Dr <del>Alt</del>	Madison	12/04/23

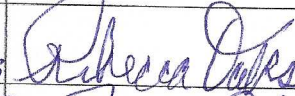
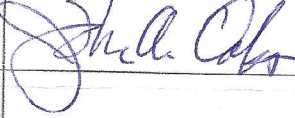
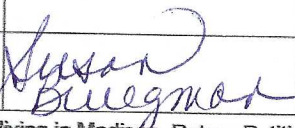
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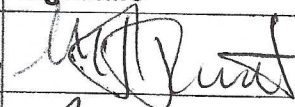
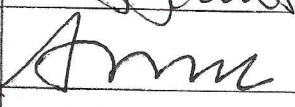

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Rebecca Coks		7426 Cedar Creek Tr	Madison	12-5-23
John A. Coks		7426 Cedar Creek TR	MADISON	12/5/2023
Petition Circulated By: Susan Buegman		313 Sauk Creek Dr.	Madison	12/05/23

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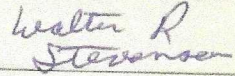
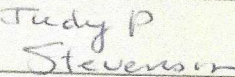
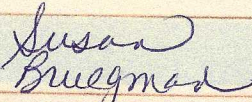
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Alison TenBruggencate		14 Saint Lawrence Cir MO	Madison	12/4/23
ANTHONY D'ALESSANDRO		14 Saint Lawrence Cir	Madison	12/5/23
Petition Circulated By		313 Sauk Creek Drive	Madison	12/05/23

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WALTER STEVENSON		222 S. Kenosha Pk	Madison	12-05-2022
JUDY STEVENSON		222 S. Kenosha Dr	Madison	12-05-2022
Petition Circulated By: Susan Briegman		313 Sauk Creek Dr.	Madison	12-05-23

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Printed Name	Signature	Address	City	Date
CECILIA ACKERMAN	<i>C Ackerman</i>	17 OAK CREEK TRAIL	MADISON WI 53717	8/30/22
MULLER	<i>Muller</i>	7317 Cedar Creek	Madison WI 53717	8/30/22
Robertson	<i>Janet Robertson</i>	12 Bayberry	Madison WI	8/31/22
PAUL SKIDMORE	<i>Paul Skidmore</i>	13 RED MAPLE LN	MADISON, WI	9/1/22
Janet Hirsch	<i>Janet Hirsch</i>	7410 Cedar Creek Trail	Madison WI 53717	9/2/22
Judy Blund	<i>Judy Blund</i>	26 Oak Creek Trl	Madison	9-2-22
Brian Shore	<i>Brian Shore</i>	86 Oak Creek Trl	Madison	9/2/22
Julia Heusinger	<i>Julia Heusinger</i>	7318 Cedar Creek Trl	Madison	9/7/22
Donna K Duffley	<i>Donna K Duffley</i>	1 Hemlock Trl	Madison	9/7/22
Chris Harper	<i>Chris Harper</i>	7383 Tree Ln	Madison	9/8/22
BETSY STAMPE	<i>Betsy Stampe</i>	135 Pine Ridge Trail	Madison	9/12/22
JILL WAI	<i>Jill Wai</i>	7408 Cedar Creek	MSN	9/15/22
Justine Malinski	<i>Justine Malinski</i>	17 Mountain Ash	Madison	9/16/22
Sandra Eisenman	<i>Sandra Eisenman</i>	83 OAK CREEK	MSN WI	9/30/22
JANET ROBERTSON	<i>Janet Robertson</i>	12 Bayberry	Madison WI	10/10/22



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Louis Cornelio	<i>Louis Cornelio</i>	13 Sauk Creek Circle	Madison	7/4/22
Joshua Wilke	<i>Joshua Wilke</i>	17 Sauk Creek Circle	Madison	7/14/2022
Ashley Wilke	<i>Ashley Wilke</i>	17 Sauk Creek Circle	Madison	7/14/2022
Pais Borowiec	<i>Pais Borowiec</i>	13 Sauk Creek Circle	Madison	7/19/2022
Pat Tregoning	<i>Pat Tregoning</i>	321 Sauk Creek Dr.	Madison	7/19/2022
EMILIS TREGONING	<i>Emilis Tregoning</i>	321 Sauk Creek Dr.	MADISON	7-19-22
Byron Knight	<i>Byron Knight</i>	501 N. High Point	Madison	8/16/22
Dana Corbett	<i>Dana Corbett</i>	9 Pintail Cir	Madison	8/26/2022
Janice Mueller	<i>Janice Mueller</i>	8 Classic Cir.	Madison	8/29/2022
SOEL MUELLER	<i>Soel Mueller</i>	8 Classic Circle	Madison	8/29/2022
Howard Cagle	<i>Howard Cagle</i>	5 Sauk Creek Cir.	Madison	9/8/2022
Kylie Cagle	<i>Kylie Cagle</i>	5 Sauk Creek Cir.	Madison	9/8/2022
CHRISTINE TIGHE	<i>Christine Tighe</i>	108 WALNUT GROVE DR.	MADISON	10/14/2022
Petition Circulated By:	<i>Janice Mueller</i>	13 Sauk Creek Circle	Madison	10/14/2022

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George Meyer	George Meyer	201 Randolph Drive	Madison	8-22-2022
William Probst	William Probst	61 Oak Creek	Madison	8/22/2022
PRUDENCE STEWART	Prudence J. Stewart	13 GRAY BIRCH TRAIL	MADISON	8/22/2022
ISABELLA POPIC	Isabella Popic	14 BAY BERRY TRL	MADISON	8/23/2022
Barbara S. Hughes	Barbara S. Hughes	25 Sugar Maple Trl.	Madison	8/23/2022
Bob Janks	Bob Janks	59 OAK CREEK TRL	MADISON	8/24/22
ELIZABETH BRUNNER	EBrunner	22 Oak Creek Trl	Madison	"
John A. Oaks	John A. Oaks	7426 Cedar Creek Trl	Madison	8/26/22
Cardyn M. Klotz	Cardyn M. Klotz	2015 S. Westfield	Madison	8-29-22
Marjorie Miller	Marjorie Miller	22 Pin Oak Trl	Madison	8-29-22
Jean M. Lofdahl	Jean Lofdahl	15 Mountain Ash Trl	Madison	8/29/22
Pat Komar	Pat Komar	7 Red Maple Trl	Madison	8/29/22
Rebecca Oaks	Rebecca Oaks	7426 Cedar Creek Trail	Madison	8/29/22
LINDA BELLMAN	Linda Bellman	87 Oak Creek Trl	Madison	8/29/22
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Sue Stark	<i>Sue Stark</i>	7433 Farmington Way	Madison	10/13/22
Rick Stark	<i>Rick Stark</i>	7433 Farmington	Madison	10-13-22
Ted Draxen		7621 Farmington	Madison WI	10-13-22

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Fred Ketchum		7651 Farmington Way	Madison	Jul 3, 2022
APARNA DHARWADKER		7625 Farmington Way	Madison	7/3/22
CORA MARRETT		7517 Farmington Way	Madison	7/3/22
Chris Gomez-Schwitt		7513 Farmington Way	Madison	7/3/22
John Byce		7629 Farmington Way	Madison	7/5/22
Michele Gassman		7613 Farmington	Madison	7/5/22
Viktoria Anufrova		7609 Farmington Way	Madison	7/5/22
Janine Bussa		7605 Farmington	Madison	7/5/22
Lynn Hummel		7517 Whitacre	Madison	7/5/22
Regina Frank		7501 Farmington Way	Madison	7/5/22
Tricia Ballweg		7429 Farmington Way	Madison	7/5/22
Ben Kaker		7413 Farmington	Madison	7/5/22
Laura Kaker		7413 Farmington	Madison	7/5/22
Cory Christopoulos		7409 Farmington Way	Madison	7/5/22
Petition Circulated By:	APARNA DHARWADKER	7625 Farmington Way	Madison	7-5-22

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Printed Name	Signature	Address	City	Date
Debra Dewesen	<i>Debra Dewesen</i>	7621 Farmington Way	Madison	7/7/22
Edmond Dewesen	<i>Edmond Dewesen</i>	7621 Farmington Way	Madison	7/7/22
Elaine Seltzer	<i>Elaine Seltzer</i>	7637 Farmington Way	Madison	7/7/22
D L Short	<i>D L Short</i>	7505 Farmington Way	"	7/7/22
Thomas Pellino	<i>Thomas Pellino</i>	7613 Farmington Way	Madison	7/7/22
Michael Gerdes	<i>Michael B Gerdes</i>	7617 Farmington Way	Madison	7-11-2022
Sveklava Gerdes	<i>Sveklava Gerdes</i>	7617 Farmington Way	Madison	7-11/22
Rhonda Meyer	<i>Rhonda Meyer</i>	2 Canvasback Cir	Madison	7-12-22
Fred Debel	<i>Fred Debel</i>	6 Canvasback Cir	Mad	7-12-22
Jesse Stertz	<i>Jesse Stertz</i>	9 Canvasback Cir	Madison	7/12/22
Ben Funt	<i>Ben Funt</i>	7630 Farmington	Madison	7/12/22
Ivy First	<i>Ivy First</i>	7630 Farmington Way	Madison	7/12/22
Jeanne Shearer	<i>Jeanne Shearer</i>	7626 Farmington Way	Madison	7-16-22
John Shearer	<i>John Shearer</i>	7626 Farmington Way	Madison	7-16-22
Petition Circulated By:	<i>Edmond Dewesen</i>	7621 Farmington Way	Madison	7-16-22



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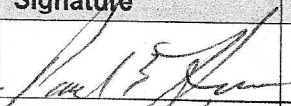
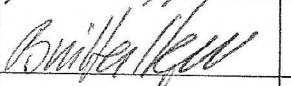
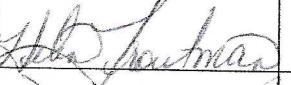
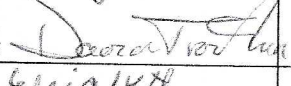
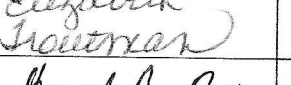
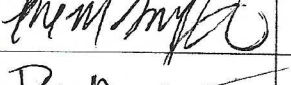

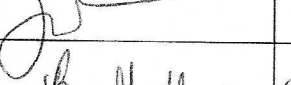
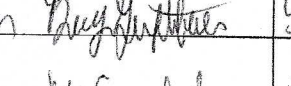
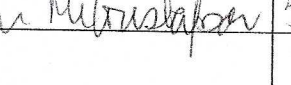

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Stanley Richardson	<i>Stanley Richardson</i>	314 Sauk Creek Dr	Madison	7-4-22
Zoe Richardson	<i>Zoe Richardson</i>	314 Sauk Creek Dr	Madison	7-4-22
TOMY D'ALESSANDRO	<i>Tomy D'Alessandro</i>	14 ST LAWRENCE QR	MADISON	7-4-22
Alison Telizyko	<i>Alison Telizyko</i>	14 St. Lawrence Cir.	Madison	7-4-22
Robin Skierka	<i>Robin Skierka</i>	405 Sauk Creek Dr	Madison	7-4-22
Kris Koval	<i>Kris Koval</i>	18 St. Lawrence Circle	"	7-4-22
Mark Hansen	<i>Mark Hansen</i>	9 Plover Cir.	"	7-4-22
Brian Chapman	<i>Brian Chapman</i>	760 Gray Fox Tr	"	7/4/22
James Dalton	<i>James Dalton</i>	Brian Chapman @ me 7713 Brule St.	COM "	7-4-22
Jeff Lucas	<i>Jeff Lucas</i>	210 Sauk Creek Dr	Madison	7/4/22
DAVID ALPHEA	<i>David Alpheia</i>	18 E Copper CIR	Madison	7/4/22
Jim Bolt	<i>Jim Bolt</i>	2 St Lawrence cir 53717	Madison	7/4/22
Tom Hornung	<i>Tom Hornung</i>	25 W. COPPER CIR	Madison	7/4/22
Tatjana Wavice	<i>Tatjana Wavice</i>	417 N High Pt Rd	Madison	7/4/22
Chris Sillings	<i>Chris Sillings</i>	6 St Lawrence Circle	Madison	7.4.22
Petition Circulated By	<i>Stanley Richardson</i>	314 Sauk Creek Dr	Madison	7-4-22

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*Gwen Shoy* *Gwen Long* 225 Sauk Creek Dr. Madison 53717

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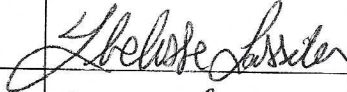


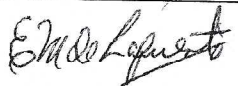
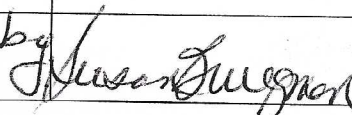
Printed Name	Signature	Address	City	Date
Paul Herr		14 E Geneva Circle	Madison	7-6-2022
Bonita Herr		14 E Geneva Cir	Madison	7-6-2022
Helen Trautman		10 E Geneva Cir	"	8-10-22
David Trautman		"	"	"
Elijah Trautman		10 E Geneva Circle	Madison	8-10-22
Kristin Davenport		17 E Geneva Cir	Madison	8/10/2022
Ben Duff		17 E Geneva Cir	Madison	20220810
Julia Edwards		9 E Geneva Cir	Madison	8/14/2022
Benjamin Gratslauer		5 E Geneva Cir	Madison	8/16/22
Michelle Gratslauer		5 East Geneva Cir	Madison	8/16/22
Petition Circulated By: Gwen Long		225 Sauk Creek R	Madison	8-16-22

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Ibelisse Lassiter		7534 Red Fox Trl	Madison	08/17/2022
Jesse Lassiter		7534 Red Fox Trl	Madison	08/17/2022
JOSE LAFUENTE		7534 Red Fox Trl	MADISON	08/17/2022
M <sup>rs</sup> Elizabeth de La Fuente		7534 Red Fox Trl	Madison	08/17/2022
Collected by		313 Sauk Creek Madison WI		08/17/2022

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	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Nad Parzan	<i>[Signature]</i>	5030 Lake Mendota St.	Madison	7-31-22
Petition Circulated By:	<i>[Signature]</i>			7/31/2022





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Sandy Diester	<i>Sandy Diester</i>	13 Geneva Cir	Madison	7/31/22
Harriet Tatopoulos	<i>Harriet Tatopoulos</i>	7501 Red Fox Trail	Madison	7/21/22
CAROL JENSEN	<i>Carol Jensen</i>	9 St. Lawrence Cir	Madison	7-21-22
Britta Herr	<i>Britta Herr</i>	14 E Geneva Cir	Madison	7-21-22
James Long	<i>James Long</i>	225 Sauk Creek Dr	Madison	7.22.22
Herb Bestrom	<i>Herb Bestrom</i>	7 Ashland Ct.	Madison	7-22-22
Mary Bestrom	<i>Mary Bestrom</i>	7 Ashland Ct	Madison	7/22/22
Andrea Cyle	<i>Andrea Cyle</i>	2106 Adderbury Cir	Madison	7/22/22
Annie Benedict	<i>Annie Benedict</i>	622 Odell St	Madison	7/22/22
Anne Earl	<i>Anne Earl</i>	26 Bayberry Tr.	Madison	7/28/22
Friedemann Farrow	<i>Friedemann Farrow</i>	9 Choyenre Circle	"	7/31/22
Sarah Lorenz	<i>Sarah L. Lorenz</i>	6330 Woodington Way	Madison	8/2/22
Petition Circulated By: <i>Gwen Long</i>	<i>Gwen Long</i>	225 Sauk Creek Dr	Madison	8-2-22



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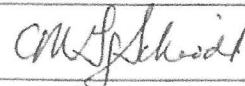
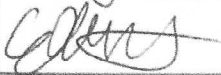

Printed Name	Signature	Address	City	Date
Sennifer Rygielwicz		7570 Farmington Way	Madison	7-4-22
Petition Circulated By:		313 Sauk Creek Dr. Madison WI 53717		7-4-2022

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Printed Name	Signature	Address	City	Date
Chris Gomez Schmidt		7513 Farmington Way	Madison	12-4-23
Eleanor Schmidt		7513 Farmington <sup>Way</sup>	Madison	12/4/23
Brad Schmidt		7513 Farmington	Madison	12/4/23
Petition Circulated By: (Gomez Schmidt)		7513 Farmington Way	Madison	12/4/23

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Printed Name	Signature	Address	City	Date
Andrea Peterson Straus	<i>Andrea P. Straus</i>	7844 E. Oakbridge Way	Madison 53717	12/5/2023
Petition Circulated By Susan Bruegman	<i>Susan Bruegman</i>	313 Sauk Creek Dr	Madison 53717	12/5/23

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*I wish I could've gotten other signitures but a lot of my neighbors are elderly snowbirds!*



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LORA BURCHILL	<i>[Signature]</i>	2 GRAY FOX CIR	Madison	12-4-2023
Todd Burchill	<i>[Signature]</i>	2 Gray Fox Cir	Madison	12-4-2023
Petition Circulated By: <i>Susan Buegno</i>	<i>Susan Buegno</i>	313 Sauk Creek Dr.	Madison	53717

*313 Sauk Creek Drive*

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<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>	<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>	1800 Green Cr	Madison	12/19/23
Wendy Blanchard	Wendy Blanchard	25 Brook Circle	Madison	12/4/23
MO FAYYAZ	Mo Fayyaz	14 E. Copper Cir.	Madison	12/5/23
DAVID REED	David Reed	57 Oak Creek Trl.	W	12/5/23
MICHAEL ROHR	Michael Rohr	78 OAK CREEK TR.	MADISON	12-05-2023
Petition Circulated By:				



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<del>John Smith</del>	<del>[Signature]</del>	<del>1800 Green Cr</del>	<del>Madison</del>	<del>Oct 19 2023</del>
Wendy Blanchard	Wendy Blanchard	25 Brook Circle	Madison	12/4/23
MO AYAZ	[Signature]	14 E. Copper Cir.	Madison	12/5/23
DAVID REED	[Signature]	57 Oak Creek Trl.	W	12/5/23
MICHAEL ROHR	[Signature]	78 OAK CREEK TR.	MADISON	12-05-2023
Petition Circulated By	Susan Duggan	313 Sauk Creek Dr.	Madison	12/05/23

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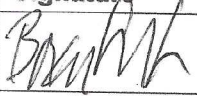
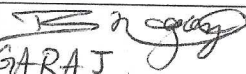
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ADRIENNE HOWARD		3581 RIDGEWAY AVE.	MSN	12/5/23
BIHAVANI NAGARAJ		7418 WHITACRE RD	MSN	12/5/23
Sharon SANCHEZ		320 W. Broadway	MSN	12/6/23
AUSTIN Aguilera		1626 Fordem ave	MSN	12/6/23
LEE Andrew		2607 STEVENS ST.	MSN	12/6/23
Cynthia RODRIGUEZ		2204 MICKENNA Blvd	MSN	12/6/23
Jon MOORE		2826 BADGER LN	MSN	12/6/23
Kazuya Nijambe		2529 Board St. Madison	MSN	12/6/23
Selen Pedro		2314 YPRAWU ST Madison	MSN	12/6/23
Pedro A. Flores Falcon		626 VERNON AVE Madison WI	MSN	12/6/23
Petition Circulated By: BHAVANI NAGARAJ		7418 WHITACRE RD #2	MSN	12/6/23

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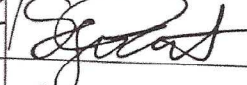
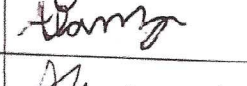



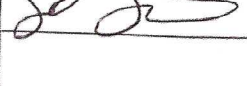
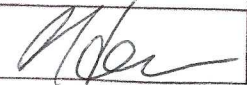
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Brian Smith		3909 Hanover 53704	Madison	12/6/23
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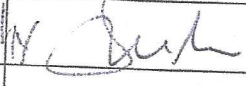
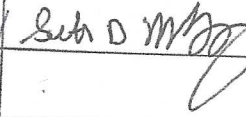
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**From:** Susan Bruegman <susan.bruegman@att.net>

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 31, 2024 10:50 AM

**To:** Transportation Commission <TransportationCommis@cityofmadison.com>

**Subject:** Agenda Item 84377: OPPOSE Any Bike Path in the Sauk Creek Greenway

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Please add these petitions to the comments for tonight's Transportation Commission meeting.

Thank you.

Susan Bruegman  
313 Sauk Creek Drive  
Madison, WI 53717

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**From:** [Grace Riedle](#)  
**To:** [Transportation Commission](#)  
**Subject:** West Area Plan - I'm a Westside teacher and parent who supports bike paths  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 31, 2024 12:57:13 PM

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Dear Transportation Commission,

Hello, my name is Grace Riedle and I'm a resident of the Westside of Madison (610 San Juan TRL). I'm also a parent of a future Madison biker (fingers crossed, he just got his first strider bike) and a teacher at Memorial High School. I work with two high school biking clubs that support students riding in the Westside area. One of those clubs (NICA) specifically works to empower students of color and students who identify as girls to ride and fix bikes. I can say with firsthand knowledge, helping students to feel comfortable on bikes in our community creates strong, independent, and enthusiastic young adults who engage in our community - it's the best! Additionally, it's important to note that one of my biking students was hit by a car while riding her bike near Memorial earlier this summer and important to acknowledge that data shows a large amount of accidents in the area near Memorial.

**I'm contacting you to share my strong support of the bike paths (Sauk Creek Greenway, Tree Lane, Highpoint Rd, and Westfield) in the West Area Plan.** Madison views itself as a city that supports a healthy environment and biking infrastructure, these bike paths would put these values into practice. Additionally, it's crucial for safe bike paths to support my students and child. We want kids outside engaging in our community. We want clean air and healthy citizens. **Please consider the big picture of our entire city's future when designing our infrastructure. Our kids' safety should be central to this decision.**

Thanks,  
Grace Riedle



**From:** [Craig Weinhold](#)  
**To:** [Transportation Commission](#)  
**Subject:** West Area Plan / bike network  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 31, 2024 1:34:40 PM

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Dear Transportation Commission members (and alders),

I am writing in support of the numerous bike network improvements in the West Area Plan, in particular the need for paved east-west AND north-south paths through the Sauk Creek greenway.

Today the Sauk Creek greenway is a nearly mile-long impediment to biking and walking:

- Students of the Sauk Creek neighborhood must walk/bike an extra  $\frac{1}{4}$  -  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile to reach school.
- The school district must provide bus service to otherwise walkable neighborhoods because roads around the greenway are long and deemed *unusual hazards*.
- It breaks the low-stress east-west bike corridor that runs from Walnut Grove Park to Rosa Rd. Today, east-west bicyclists in that area must choose between Old Sauk Rd and Mineral Point Rd.
- It undermines some of the transportation benefits of two other West Area Plan projects - the Crestwood Path and the Gammon Road path.

Due to vocal opposition to paths, Ald Nikki Conklin asked that the Sauk Creek greenway north-south path be removed. It's true that the north-south path is less important for transportation than the east-west path, but it is far more important for neighborhood connectivity and community recreation. Similar to other area greenways like Pheasant Branch Creek, Greentree Chapel Hill, and Yarmouth, the north-south path will be used by far more neighbors than thru-commuters. Walkers, joggers, dog walkers, the elderly, families with strollers, the mobility-challenged, and others. It will provide neighbors easy bike/ped access to destinations like High Point Church and the Alicia Ashman library. It will provide a safe environment for children to learn to bike in a pleasant setting. It will allow the Sauk Creek greenway to be used by neighbors year-round.

Please maintain the Sauk Creek greenway east-west path and restore the north-south path into the West Area plan.

Thank you,  
-Craig Weinhold

**From:** [Friends of Sauk Creek](#)  
**To:** [Transportation Commission](#)  
**Subject:** Agenda Item 84377 Access, Oppose Any Bike Path  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 31, 2024 1:53:53 PM

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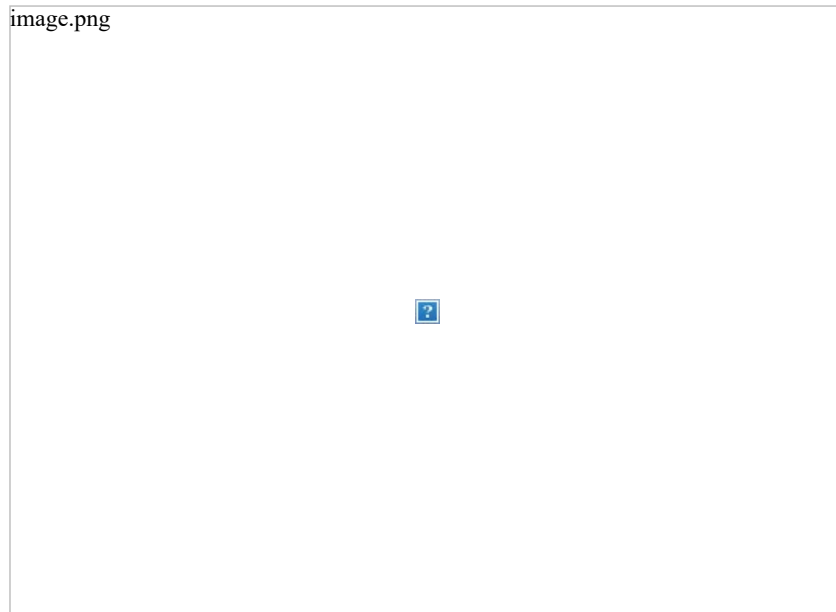
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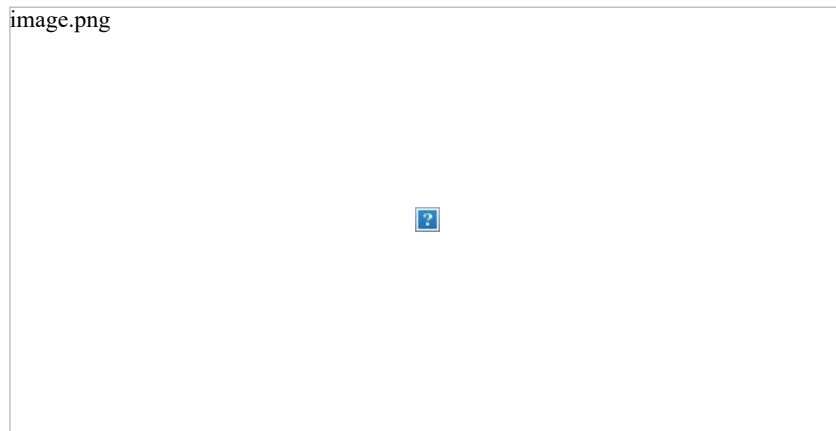
I'm writing you to ask that you should rule to remove the East-West bike path through the Walnut Grove Park and Sauk Creek Greenway that is shown in the West Area plan for the following reasons:

To begin with, Walnut Grove Park is roughly 20 acres and there is a dense steep wooded bluff area that the proposed path would go through that would require switchbacks zig zagging through the woods. It would require the loss of additional trees on the bluff to make that path accessible to all ages and abilities. Accessible paths need to have less than a 5% grade. Trees are so important to stop soil erosion, among many other things. If we were in a wheelchair we cannot imagine using a switchback trail. We would take the sidewalks around.

We are currently able to walk the hiking paths through the Greenway with our hiking poles and access Walnut Grove Park without any problems, even at our ages, 89 and 88!



Per Google earth elevation measurements, you can see the extent of the grade difference between the areas.



ALSO:

This tree destruction conflicts with the one of the mission statements for the Parks Open Space Plan 2023 that states that Parks should



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Last but not least the Parks Open Space Plan 2023 states that:

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Therefore, please remove the consideration of an east west bike path, or any bike paths through Walnut Grove Park and Sauk Creek Greenway from the West Area Plan. We truly enjoy the current peaceful greenway paths to hike and enjoy nature.

Thank you.

Stan and Zoe Richardson

314 Sauk Creek Drive

Madison, WI

**From:** [jhirsch@chorus.net](mailto:jhirsch@chorus.net)  
**To:** [Transportation Commission](#)  
**Subject:** Oppose Bike Paths in Sauk Creek Greenway  
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Commissioners:

*Items 6 (84383) & 7 (84377) West Area Plan.*

As you review the details of the West Area Plan, I ask that you **reject any bike path in the Sauk Creek Greenway**. As a voter who lives, works and plays in the West Area, I am registering my **OPPOSITION** to any bike path or any hard surface trails, walkways or roads within the Sauk Creek Greenway.

A bike path in this greenway would NOT enhance bike connectivity. It would have a negative effect on the natural habitat of the area.

I thank Alder Conklin for understanding the value of this space as a natural area and opposing the North-South path which was shown on early plans. The same sentiments apply to any East-West bike paths. They should not be included in the final West Area Plan.

Thank you for your consideration.

Janet Hirsch  
District 9