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Subject: Issues pertaining to Midvale Blvd Improvements:
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To whom it may concern,

I have reviewed the potential Midvale Improvements and I have the following issues:

- 1) **This portion of Midvale is extremely important to emergency services. The fire station at Midvale and Regent often cuts through that intersection and ambulances use that stretch of road numerous times a day.**
- 2) Instead of having bike lanes on every major road, why can't they go west one road and use Segoe. They are choosing to ride their bicycles and it shouldn't matter if the road is windy or not convenient. There are also roads that run parallel to Midvale that they can use.
- 3) If you haven't noticed, people who commute to their jobs from Verona, Fitchburg, southern madison use this road more often than bicyclists. Have you completed a study regarding the amount of bicyclists compared to the amount of vehicle traffic that uses this area.
- 4) Why are you eliminating the parking from along Midvale? The residents do have a right to park their vehicles.
- 5) Have any of you attempted to enter Midvale Road from Regent going west? You have to wait for at least 5 minutes and you never see a pedestrian.
- 6) Isn't there a more beneficial way to spend taxpayer money?
- 7) Have you completed any studies to show the benefits of making changes like this?
- 8) Why is the City of Madison so concerned about bicyclists? They should be subject to the same traffic enforcement as motor vehicles. I have had numerous bicyclists run through red lights in front of me and cross the bicycle lane on Midvale without even looking. Yet, if they were to run into me it would be my fault. I think each bicyclist should have a licence plate, have to be insured like a motor vehicle, and be subject to moving violations as strict as motor vehicles.

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Respectfully,

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