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Dear Transportation Committee Members,

I'm writing to express my support for the projects on your list that are in or affect Bay Creek. These really do seem like the most dangerous places in the neighborhood.

Having lived here 30 years, I'm not suprised #11 (Park St/Olin Ave) is the highest Bay Creek item on your list, now that you're emphasizing HIN scores. Many years ago the no-turn-on-red (onto Park St) was added, which I feel has helped. But it's still a dangerous intersection.

There's a lot going on there: a lot of turning (especially into the Amstar gas station) and the Olin hill makes it challenging for pedestrians to be seen when drivers are turning onto Olin. One improvement proposed years ago was to block access to Amstar from folks turning onto Olin (from either direction on Park) and then a left into the gas station. Traffic often gets backed up which adds to the danger for peds. The thought was to put a thin median on Olin to prevent that turn. Another solution was to raise up Olin Ave at the crosswalk a bit so that people could be seen easier.

Lots of n'hood folks north of Olin cross there to walk to the hardware store, grocery store, Cargo, and the PO, and those south of Olin to Taqueria Guadalajara (and perhaps many also dine at the best gas station food in the city -- King of Falafel at the Amstar).

In terms of improving the intersection, it sounds like not much can happen there now since it may impact BRT or the transit redesign (from the Safe Streets spreadsheet). It also sounds like you'll keep an eye on this intersection in the future, so thanks for that.

-- jim winkle Emerson St