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I am very concerned about the city continuing to have all of its public hearings via Zoom. I can attend a concert, a play, a film festival movie, or a basketball game, and eat at a restaurant, all without having to wear a mask, according to the Dane County/City of Madison health department. Yet, I cannot attend a real public hearing where I can see and hear the members of the department or commission; where I can see and hear other members of the public speak about the issues. I think the city is using Covid as an excuse to avoid actual public hearing.

The issue I am concerned about is the reconstruction of Lake Mendota Drive. Many of the residents of our neighborhood are supportive of reconstructing the street, but opposed to the rapid decisions being made about water runoff into Lake Mendota, construction of sidewalks, and failure to consider the special scenic and historic nature of Lake Mendota Drive.

Stop rushing this decision and provide the public with a real public hearing.

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