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Junction Ridge Neighborhood Association

Alder Paul Skidmore
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Madison Wisconsin 53717

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Alder Skidmore:

The Junction Ridge Neighborhood Association (JRNA) is aware that in the near future the city plans to connect Elderberry to Pleasant View Road. This connection along with future construction at the intersection of Mineral Point and Junction and Pleasant View and Old Sauk will certainly lead to an increase in traffic on Elderberry. Elderberry runs past the Junction Ridge Park that is utilized by many children both from the neighborhood itself as well as by soccer and lacrosse teams from the west side in general. On many weekday afternoons and evenings you will find lots of cars parked along Elderberry and Augusta with parents sitting on lawn chairs watching their kids play and the younger siblings running around with balls and pets JRNA has great concern the increase in traffic on Elderberry will place children playing in the park at risk.

JRNA would appreciate it if you could explore traffic calming devices on Elderberry. Presently Elderberry does not have any traffic calming devices in place. JRNA strongly believes that traffic calming devices should be implemented prior to Elderberry's connection with Pleasant View so as to condition drivers to the need to monitor their speed when passing the park.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

James C Boll

(Fresident Junction Ridge Neighborhood Board)

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