

October 28, 2019

To: Tom Lynch, Director, Madison Transportation Department

Cc: Madison Plan Commission, District 3 Alder Lindsay Lemmer

Re: intersection Cottage Grove Road and Acewood Blvd.

Ace Apartments Legistar 53612

I was surprised today to see the Cap Times article by Abigail Becker which stated CGR and Acewood Boulevard ranks as one of Madison's highest severity crash intersections.

*"A Vision Zero advance plan would provide safety improvements at some of Madison's highest severity crash intersections. For all crashes, these intersections include Stoughton Road and East Washington Avenue; US Highway 12 & [18 and Millpond Road](#); US Highway 12 & [18 and Brandt Road](#); Campus Drive and Farley Avenue; and Acewood Boulevard and Cottage Grove Road."*

The Plan Commission will be meeting [at 5:30 pm today](#) to consider land use approvals for the 70-unit Ace Apartments at the NE corner of the intersection. At a neighborhood meeting in August regarding this proposal, a city traffic engineer stated that there would be no proactive safety measures implemented at the intersection.

Given that the four-story structure has only an 8-foot "side-yard" setback along the CGR frontage with a 14-foot "front yard" setback along Acewood, the vision triangle here will be significantly impacted for those traveling west on CGR or south on Acewood.

I hope that your department will consider implementing safety measures in a proactive manner in response to this development. Thank you.

Regards,

Beth Godfrey