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To: Andrew Zwieg, City of Madison Engineering
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Fr: Alder Sheri Carter

Re: Cedar/Beld/Park Street

On Monday, August 18, 2020 I met with the Bram's Addition and Capital View neighborhoods to discuss their desire to have an in-depth discussion regarding the negative impact these designs (*shown in Alternatives 1, 2, & 3*) will have on their quality of life. The truth is that Beld Street is the Midvale Blvd for both neighborhoods. These designs will affect 1000+ residents that currently use Beld Street either by car, walking, or bus. It is prudent that our City staff make changes that enhance the lives of our residents' mobility. In this case, I am supporting the recommendations from our neighborhood meeting.

We are requesting that Engineering and Traffic Engineering do not make any changes to the East side of S. Park Street (Cedar/Beld/Park Street). We believe the data does not support these changes and it would be best to wait for SSM/Dean Clinic and Truman Olson to be completed, and the Pic N Save site to be redeveloped, to see what traffic patterns emerge from these new developments.

We are requesting that the construction of any new diverter island or refuge island be deferred until it can be established that they are necessary. We believe that making any of these changes now would hinder the grocery store success. Pic N Save grocery store has not had any issues with patrons being able to exit their parking lot and turning left or right or crossing S. Park Street.

We support the installation of flashers at the South cross walk and the future cross walks on Park Street.

We support the removal of the buffered bike lanes on the New Cedar Street and installing the regular bike lanes currently used. Again, the new street does not rise to the level of requiring buffered bike lanes.

Respectfully submitted 8-19-2020