

Hello Transportation & Policy Board Committee,

I wanted to speak at the Transportation Policy and Planning Board Meeting on 12/07/2020 however, I had some technical difficulties with speaking when given the opportunity to speak by the Chairperson as the zoom meeting.

With this being said, I wanted to express my support for the amendment being proposed by Alderman Tag Evers to revise the transportation recommendation for the north - south public street from Regent Street to West Washington Avenue.

I support this amendment along with being a 20 year resident of the triangle community who opposed any concept of building a street through Braxton Place with the idea that it would benefit the neighborhood. On the contrary, it would not only impact the residents of Braxton Place if the building design would be targeted to go right through my living room along with displacing other residents who reside in my apartment building.

The other concerns would be for the safety of individuals with medical and physical disabilities who often time will be needing to seek emergency services from Meritor's, U. W. Clinic, and a nursing home in our area. This street design will have an impact directly on the children, elderly citizens, and individuals who reside in our area with severe and significant mental illnesses in terms of increasing traffic in a very traffic congested area.

As a member of the Triangle planning committee I felt that although members of the committee and some residents shared these ideas publicly, that the committee was unable to work with the planning committee on providing us with an alternative proposal which did not include having a street as part of this project.

Thank you for all of your hard work on the transportation committee and adding my comments to this vital issue in my neighborhood.

Best regards,

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